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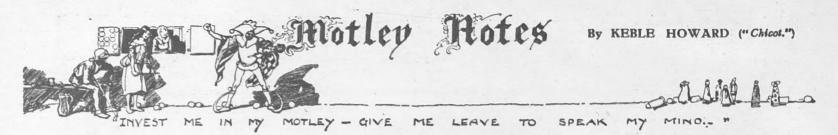
ONE SHILLING.



DANCING IN "THE DUENNA"-AT THE LYRIC, HAMMERSMITH: MISS ELSA LANCHESTER.

Miss Elsa Lanchester, the brilliantly clever dancer, whose performance in "The Way of the World" roused so much enthusiasm, and who has sat to Epstein for portrait-busts, is taking the part of a page in the latest production at the Lyric, Hammersmith. This is "The Duenna," the comic opera by Richard Brinsley Sheridan, first idea of her elfish charm and arresting personality.

performed in 1775, and now revived by Mr. Nigel Playfair, who has made such a big success by reintroducing famous eighteenth-century light operas and classic comedies to the attention of twentiethcentury Londoners. This study of Miss Lanchester gives an excellent



TO-DAY'S TALK ABOUT OUR ORATORS.

HIS seems as good a time as any to I don't quite talk about orators. know why we should always associate oratory with politics, but we do. Is that a compliment to the politicians or a criticism of our own intelligence?

I am very fond of listening to political

speeches-when I can find out where they are being delivered and get a ticket. Of those orators who have passed away, I heard Joseph Chamberlain and Bonar Law

among others; whilst among living orators
I have heard Mr. Austen
Chamberlain, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Lord Balfour, Lord Carson, Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. Asquith, Lord Birkenhead, Sir John Simon, Mr. Ramsay Mac-donald, Mr. Winston Churchill, and Mr. Baldwin.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain I heard many years ago in a tent in our little Warwickshire town. I don't know why he spoke in a tent, but he did, and I was in the front row of seats and an Eton collar. We were all a little disappointed, perhaps, that it was not his father speaking, but considerably consoled by the fact that "Mr. Austen" wore an eyeglass and therefore looked like his father. I remember nothing whatever of the speech except that, now and again, the orator would wag at us an extremely long and impressive forefinger. When he did that I felt that England was doomed.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain I heard at that huge hall in Westminster which was built on the site of the Aquarium. Mr. Lloyd George had just discovered Mr. Neville's existence, and promptly made him Minister of National Service. It was a quiet speech he gave, full of figures and detail, quite ,

unemotional.

floods of tears.

Mr. Lloyd George himself illowed. This was the first followed. time I had heard him, and I got the surprise of my life. He talked almost exactly like that very excellent actor, Mr. Leonard Boyne, I could not help wondering why nobody had ever told me this. We were all rather highly strung, the war being at its worst. Mr. Lloyd George took full advantage of this, dropped his voice to a very low tone, and pres-talked caressingly about "this little island." He had his reward. He drew

Mr. Asquith I heard at Queen's Hall on the second anniversary of the war. He made an extraordinarily good speech about the rights of small nations. His peroration was probably the finest piece of pure prose I have heard delivered in the English language.

Lord Birkenhead and Sir John Simon I used to hear every Thursday in term time at the Oxford Union, They were both senior to me, and great bloods at the Union. Lord Birkenhead—then F. E. Smith — spoke exactly as he speaks to-day, and looked very much as he looks to-day.

Sir John Simon—then known as J. A. Simon of Wadham—was rather a wag. He was sly, quiet, humorous, and extremely self-possessed. Particularly do I remember him on one occasion when Mr. Asquith came down to speak at the Union. J. A. S. watched

THE RECORD FISH, KILLED ON THE CLOSING DAY OF THE TAY SEASON: MR. O. M. PRITCHARD'S 53-POUNDER-WITH DAVID FENWICK. This magnificent salmon, the heaviest rod-caught fish for the season of 1924, was killed on the closing day of the season on the Tay by Mr. O. M. Pritchard on the lower Scone stretch of the Tay, in the "Back of the Knowes" pool, with a Baron fly. Mr. Pritchard had a lively half-hour before he landed the monster; and David Fenwick, the well-known Tayside boatman and ghillie (shown in our photograph), made no mistake with the gaffing. The fish, which is believed to be the largest caught in the British Isles this season, is a 53-pounder, 51½ inches in length, and with a girth of 29 inches. It was presented to the Perth Royal Infirmary.—[Photograph by Star Photos.]

> over the great man with the zealous attention of a first-class male nurse.

> Mr. Ramsay Macdonald I. heard in the House of Commons before he became Premier. I was struck by the clearness of his utterance and his apparent remoteness from his own party. He seemed a different being from a different world. He spoke, of course, extremely

Mr. Winston Churchill I heard during the war—in the very early days of the war—at the English Opera House, now the Stoll Picture House. The building was packed, and before the speakers arrived the audience was inclined to be rather noisy and jovial. Winston instantly stopped all that. The magnetism of the man was extraordinary. I thought at once what an actor he would have made. The main point of the speech was a promise to dig the rats-meaning the German Navy-out of their holes. tried, but we never did.

How I heard Joseph Chamberlain I told.

Bonar Law I heard at Queen's Hall at that same great meeting addressed by Mr. Asquith on the second anniversary of the war. Bonar Law was not an orator. He was a lucid and very pleasant speaker, and obviously as straight as a die, but his personality was not im-pressive. I should imagine his strength lay rather in the House of Commons than on the platform at a mass meeting.

Lord Balfour and Lord Car-

son I heard for the first time in a debate in the House of Commons. They were on the same side, of course, but their views on this occasion were opposed. Perhaps they were both a little cross with each other, for I remember thinking their voices rather harsh and unmusical. The next day I was surprised to find the debate described in all the newspapers as a "Scene in the House." wish I had known at the time it was a scene. I would have taken more interest.

Mr. Baldwin I heard at Bristol during his last campaign. A friend very kindly secured me a ticket, at the last moment, for the platform, and I was sitting Mr. Baldwin's right and about half-a-dozen seats away from him. He struck me as being an extremely good fellow, who had somehow blown into politics because he was wanted, and not for the usual reason that he wanted politics. His speech was deliberate, and he had a great many notes. The broadcasting apparatus, just in front of his nose, did not seem to bother him in the least.

The strange thing is that out of all these great and famous men I have named, I cannot remember that one-with the pos-

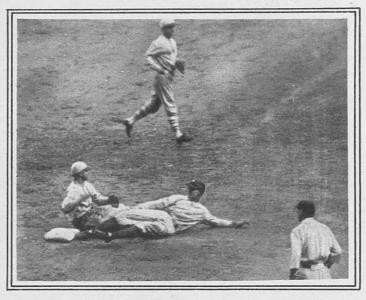
sible exception of Mr. Lloyd George—had a really musical voice. They all had nice enough voices, but not wonderful, not thrilling, not full of those tones that sound like the notes of an organ. Some day or other, we shall get a political orator with a really fine voice, and then he will sweep the pool.

Let us pray that he will be a decent fellow. The other sort can do such a lot of damage to this little old country.

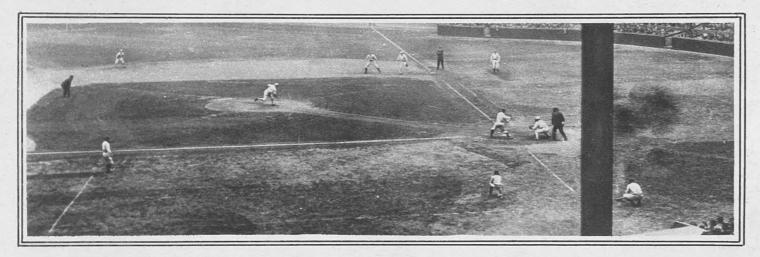
To be Watched by Their Majesties: Baseball from America.



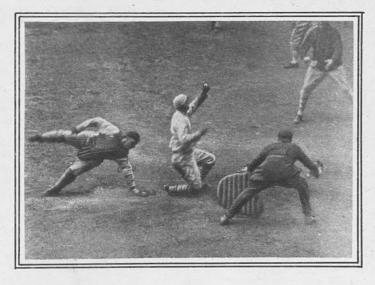
THE FAMOUS BABE RUTH SLIDES TO THE HOME PLATE—LEFT TO RIGHT, FIELDER, RUNNER, "ARMOURED" UMPIRE.



A RUNNER PUT OUT ON THE THIRD BASE: AN INCIDENT IN A GREAT GAME IN NEW YORK.



BASEBALL IN PROGRESS: THE PITCHER (LEFT CENTRE) THROWING THE BALL TO THE BATTER—BEHIND THE BATTER,
THE CATCHER AND THE UMPIRE.



THE CATCHER (LEFT) TOUCHING THE PLATE WITH THE BALL A SECOND TOO LATE TO PREVENT THE RUNNER SCORING A HOME RUN—UMPIRE ON THE RIGHT.

Baseball, the American national game, has been and is played in this country, as, under the auspices of the American Legion, matches took place on Sundays at Stamford Bridge throughout the summer. Special interest, however, has been roused by the visit of the two famous teams, the Chicago White Sox and the New York Giants, who have arranged to play three exhibition matches—one of which took place



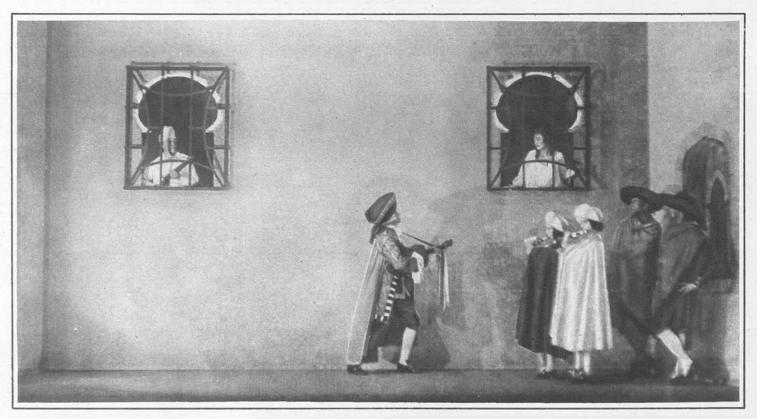
THE ARMOURED CATCHER (CENTRE; EQUAL TO THE WICKET-KEEPER IN CRICKET); A RUNNER GETTING HOME, AND (RIGHT) THE ARMOURED UMPIRE.

last week.—The Duke and Duchess of York arranged to attend the first game, and their Majesties the King and Queen, Prince Henry, and the Prince of Wales have expressed their intention of watching the final match on Nov. 6. Baseball presents a strange appearance to English eyes, owing to the armoured catcher and umpire. The ball comes with such velocity that the armour is very necessary.

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Plays of the Moment: "The Duenna."



"UNVEIL THOSE BEAUTEOUS EYES, MY FAIR": DON ANTONIO (DENYS ERLAM) SERENADES LOUISA (ELSA MACFARLANE) WITH HIS PAGES (ELSA LANCHESTER AND ANGELA BADDELEY) AS ACCOMPANISTS, WHILE DON JEROME (MR. NIGEL PLAYFAIR) COMES TO THE WINDOW WITH HIS BLUNDERBUSS.

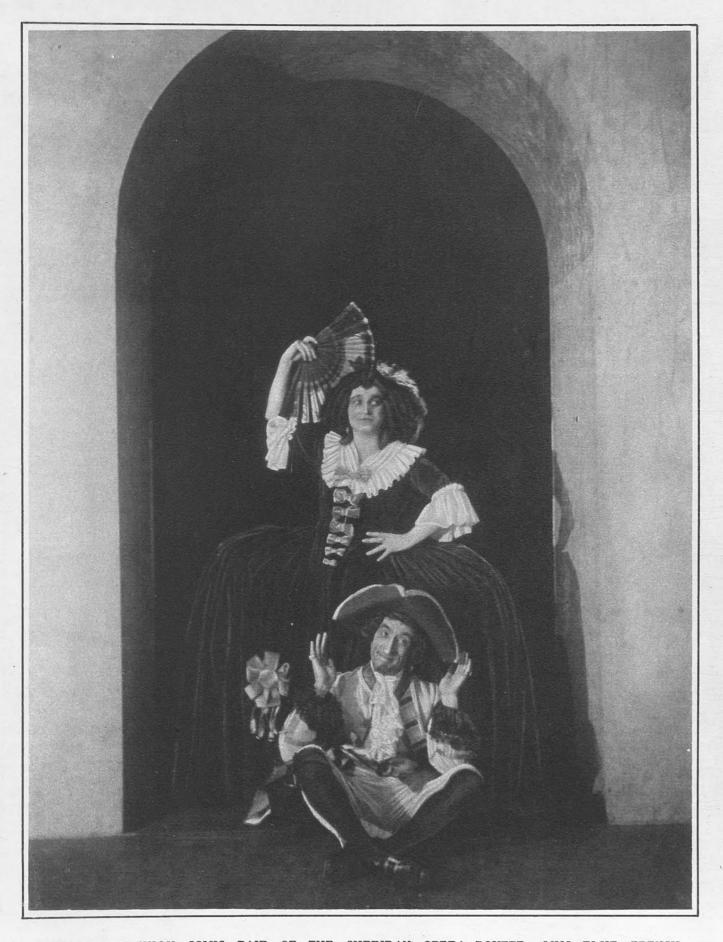


"I NE'ER COULD ANY LUSTRE SEE IN EYES THAT WOULD NOT LOOK ON ME": DON ANTONIO (DENYS ERLAM) AND DON FERDINAND (MICHAEL COLE).

The Nigel Playfair production of "The Duenna," the comic opera by Richard Brinsley Sheridan, at the Lyric Theatre, Hammersmith, was an important theatrical event of last week. The music has been arranged and composed by Mr. Alfred Reynolds, and the scenery and costumes designed by Mr. George Sheringham, and the result should

prove as great an attraction to playgoers as the previous Hammersmith successful revivals of classic comedies and light operas have been. "The Duenna" is a worthy successor to "The Beggar's Opera" and "The Way of the World," and was most enthusiastically received on the first night.—[Photographs by Bertram Park.]

Plays of the Moment: "The Duenna."



THE DELIGHTFULLY COMIC PAIR OF THE SHERIDAN OPERA-BOUFFE: MISS ELSIE FRENCH AS THE DUENNA AND MR. FRANK COCHRANE AS ISAAC MENDOZA.

Sheridan's witty lines, the light-hearted music, and an admirably designed and presented setting render "The Duenna," the new Nigel Playfair production at the Lyric, Hammersmith, a delightful entertainment. Miss Elsie French—that admirable comédienne,

Photograph by Bertram Park.

MARIEGOLD IN SOCIETY.

ONDON is going to enjoy the Election to-night, I expect, for, whatever the results may be, one can always have an entertaining evening and enjoy a good dinner at one of the luxury hotels, either as a consolation for one's party having lost or as a thanksgiving that it has won! It's quite amusing to sit in a brightly lit restaurant and see the results flashed up on the



I. Angela is determined to do something to attract the attention of the inhabitants of Malta. She must get to know a few people somehow. Something truly dramatic is indicated, so, with praiseworthy courage, she falls into the sea—and is immediately followed by an expert diver. . . .

screen; and that is how most of us have decided to spend to-night, unless we are candidates' womenfolk, who are on the spot, somewhere in the provinces. But don't let's talk politics; we have done far too much of it during the past week or two to wish to continue the exercise—and I'm sure we need other diversions.

Let's consider the fashionable period of the moment, for it is really rather amusing that the Baroque Art craze has come upon us so suddenly that we are gradually growing used to it without realising what is happening. As is so often the case, the "Intellectuals started the fashion, and their "stunt" is becoming the rage-so no doubt they will soon take up something else. When Mr. Sacheverell Sitwell's recent book, "Baroque Art," appeared, you may remember that I prophesied a revival of the Baroque in general, and now we have a Magnasco Society doing its bit to make us all amateurs of the hitherto despised period, and Dame Fashion joining in the conspiracy as well.

We began our Baroque dressing with the Lely pearls which were the rage last season; and we are now "going one better" and adorning ourselves with huge, tight necklets of bright silver beads or golden ones, and hanging balls of glittering silver or dull gold in our ears. It is entertaining, for unless one happens to be a member of the Intelligentsia, one is unlikely to possess more than a nebulous knowledge of the Baroque period. The term was originally applied to a misshapen pearl, but now it means (accord-

pearl, but now it means (according to the "Encyclopædia") "fantastic, bizarre, and decadent forms in art"—which seems a severe description of a period which fits in rather well with our modern outlook and appearance.

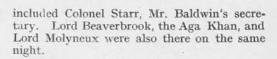
The Sitwells, by the way, are an amazing family. How do they do it? They are prolific writers, and every new book they produce has not only a stimulating title, but contents which more than keep the promise. Osbert Sitwell only a short time ago published a book of short stories with the intriguing title of "Triple Fugue," and now Sacheverell's latest poems are entitled "The Thirteenth Cæsar"—why, we will leave our readers to find out. Instead of the usual highly coloured jacket, a Severini Pierrot meets the eye, and the poems inside are of a remarkable distinction and beauty. "The Mirador" reads like music, and I cannot resist the temptation of quoting (there are two versions of this poem; the lines below are from the first)—

Melulla in her mirador Needs not a mirror more; Fracasse, our old alguacil, Sits nodding at his window-sill.

Although the past week is said to have been lacking in social gaiety, owing to the Election, and dinners of note have been few and far between, neither vote-catching nor continuous rain can prevent us from lunching in amusing restaurants and clubs. The Embassy was very full the other day when I was there, and looked gay and bright with each table adorned with a large bunch of red carnations-nothing political about this, though, you may take my word for it. Among the lunchers I noticed Sir Joseph and Lady Tichborne, who were with Mr. and Mrs. Phillips Oppenheim. Lady Tichborne was wearing one of the new high-crowned hard hats, and looked very well. She, by the way, is one of the latest to be shingled, and looks even handsomer than she did before she sacrificed her long, long hair-about two and a half yards of it-to the prevailing fashion. It does suit her to have it short, and all her friends have been congratulating her on the result of the shearing.

But to return to the Embassy; another luncher whom I saw there recently was Miss Lois Sturt. She was wearing a sand-coloured coat and skirt with a small cloche hat to match. The coat was trimmed with little padded rolls of its own material in graduated widths. Lady Queensberry was there too, in one of the shortest skirts I have seen this autumn; and well-known men included Sir Trevor Dawson, Sir George Noble, and Mr. Solly Joel.

Politicians and their helpers must feed too, and at the Savoy last week, where I went to dine one day, I found Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin and their daughter Betty (who has been busy canvassing for Major J. Despencer Robertson in West Islington), dining in a party which



And now for some wedding news, for the season of important marriages is still in full swing. Miss Doris Harcourt has now settled about her bridesmaids. They are to be her younger sister, Miss Barbara Harcourt; the bridegroom's sister, Miss Angela Baring; his two cousins, Miss Olivia Baring and Miss Clare Blount; Miss Sylvia Paget, and Miss Cynthia Burns, another cousin of the bride. There will also be three child attendants-Rosalind Cubitt, John Warrender, and Patsy Mulholland. The elder girls will wear orchidmauve fulgurante frocks, made on straight lines, but decorated round the skirt with a flouncing of fringed georgette to match. As headdresses they will have becoming Russianshaped diadems of silver and shaded mauve leaves, and will carry sheaves of mauve chrysanthemums.

The bride's dress is to be of bright silver tissue cut on moyen-âge lines, with long sleeves and a square neck, and, except for a pearl girdle, will be perfectly plain. The train is to be of the same material, and will be carried by the child attendants in Stuart period costumes.



Who performed a gallant rescue, and the crowd flocked to her assistance.

Lord Harcourt—who, though only just sixteen, is nearly six foot in height—will give his sister away, and the reception after the ceremony will only be for near relatives, as

the bridegroom's family is in mourning for his sister

Although this wedding is not till Nov. 17, Miss Harcourt has already received some beautiful presents. The Queen has sent two of those enchanting little jewelled trees in red lacquer pots, and the Queen of Spain's gift is an antique fan. One of Lady Har-court's presents is a Boucheron tiara of diamonds specially designed to suit the bride, as she looks her best in a light head-dress. There is a squirrel coat, too, from the bride's mother, which is to be worn for her goingaway. The first part of the honeymoon is being spent at Wootton House, Aylesbury, lent by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Beaumont; and



3. And now she is the heroine of the hour. Her hotel is beleaguered by kind inquirers.

the newly married pair have been given a town house in Hyde Park Square by Lady Harcourt.

We have had plenty of new plays this week to distract our attention-if only for a few hours-from the happenings on the political stage. The première at the Ambassadors' at the beginning of the week drew a chic, well-dressed audience, and there were plenty of well-knowns to be seen in the stalls, including Mr. Arnold Bennett, Mr. Eddy Marsh, and other faithful first-nighters. I saw Lady Talbot de Malahide, and her husband also, as, of course, Lady Talbot wanted to see her father, Mr. Fred Kerr, in his latest rôle.

By the way, the dresses in the play are very attractive, and I'm glad that the designers did not allow themselves any flights of fancy in presenting frocks of nine-teen years ahead, but simply dressed the piece in the clothes of to-day. As a matter of fact, since we have now learned sense so far as feminine attire is concerned, and wear garments which show off the elegant lines of the figure in almost classic simplicity, one may be allowed to hope that in twenty years' time we shall not have slipped back again to the horrors of corseted figures, tight waists, and other tyrannous and unbeautiful past styles.

Miss Tennyson Jesse that was—now Mrs. Harwood—took the call with her husband as part-author of the play, and carried one the largest and gayest green ostrichfeather fans I have ever seen. Time was when we all "shied" at green as being an unlucky colour, but this superstition is quite forgotten, now that brides dress their attendants in green and authors bravely bring possessions in that shade to the first night of their plays.

And when we are on the subject of the theatre, Lord Howard de Walden will have one of his longest plays produced in London early in November, for he is the "T. E. Ellis" whose "Heraclius, Emperor of the East" is being given at the Holborn Theatre. This piece, which is described as of a "high-brow" nature, is being produced by Bruce Winston, who, it will be remembered, was associated with Sybil Thorndike and Lewis Casson in a similar matinée venture some time ago, and appeared at the recent production of five plays at Seaford House.

Heraclius, in case you don't know, reigned from 610 to 642, and the period of the play is that seven years of continuous victory when he crushed the Persian Empire, and introduces his meeting with Mahomet. will be the first time that the figure of the

Prophet has been allowed on the Eng-

lish stage.

Heraclius was a fascinating character, and I was interested to read in the Cambridge "Mediæval History" the description which runs as follows: We would rather recall him . . . an enthusiast with the power to inspire others, a practical mystic . . . one of the Greatest Roman Cæsars." He sounds rather as if he would be useful to-day, doesn't he? And he was, of course, the subject of one of Corneille's plays. Lord Howard's drama about him was written in 1910, and has a big cast, with twelve men with quite important speaking rôles.

So seldom is Marlborough House Chapel used for Society events that a small crowd wondered what was happening when it opened its doors the other afternoon. It faces St. James's Palace, and is the smallest in London, and though its gleaming white, silk-hung altar, adorned with the beautiful gold church plate, looked exquisite, there was no music and no special floral decoration, in accordance with Lord and Lady Eltham's wishes for the christening of their baby girl, Mary Ilona Margaret, the Queen's latest godchild. Her Majesty was not present, so Lady Cambridge stood proxy for her, and the family gathering included Lady Worcester and her sister, Lady Helena Gibbs, Lord Worcester being the only godfather.

The baby was extremely well behaved, and was made into a little Christian quite quietly. She had a simple robe of gathered muslin, adorned with white satin ribbons, and did not wear any special family christening garments. Mr. William Gillett, our most ancient pillar of the social world in town, came to the ceremony with his friend Colonel Gibbs, with whom he lives in Lowndes Square, actually in the house where the baby was born.

The dresses worn at the christening, by the way, were very smart, Lady Eltham looking particularly well in shades of the brown which is so popular at the moment; and Lady Cambridge had a lovely real Paisley shawl wrap trimmed with nutria. There was a good deal of hunting gossip talked

after the christening, and Mr. Osmond Hastings, the father of Lady Eltham, had a great talk with Lady Worcester and Lady Helena Gibbs on the subject of the successful cubbing season in "Beaufortshire."

The Carlton celebration of its "birthday" gave us an amusing evening last week, and

there was a huge crowd in the restaurant. Sir Basil Zaharoff and his Duchess bride were entertaining a party, he with his usual pink carnation in his buttonhole, and she in a black-and-silver dress. Miss Violet Loraine that was-now Mrs. Edward Joiceywas also in black, with a huge red flower to relieve the sombre effect, and was with her husband and several friends. She seemed in very good spirits and was dancing with Mr. Joe Coyne, among other partners.

Then, of course, there was the Bambridge-Kipling wedding, where the great popularity of Rudyard Kipling was most noticeable. Crowds assembled outside the church—not only to catch a glimpse of the bride, but to see her father; and Mr. Baldwin also came in for a great reception as he obligingly stood with Mrs. Baldwin while a whole army of photographers "took" them from every angle.

The wedding was a thoroughly autumnal one so far as decorations and colour-scheme were concerned, for not only was the bridesmaid in shades of bronze and brown, but the mother of the bride chose the same colourings; and those of the congregation who were not in black seemed to be in tawny shades, while the church was decked with chrysanthemums to match.

The reception in the Baldwins' housewhich is very well suited for big entertainments-was a most successful one, and Mr. Kipling looked quite festive with an uncommonly large bunch of Parma violets in his button-hole. Though Miss Kipling-now Mrs. Bambridge-received some nice presents, none were on view at the reception, as the family came up from the country only a day or two before the wedding, and put up, as is their custom, at Brown's Hotel.

Lord and Lady Carson were among the many well-known people present, the latter in a very severe hat of pillar-box-red kit, with a steel buckle for trimming. Lady Sondes was there with Mrs. Devereux, her daughterwho had a special interest in this wedding,

as Captain Bambridge was the best man to Mr. Robert Devereux at the wedding last year.

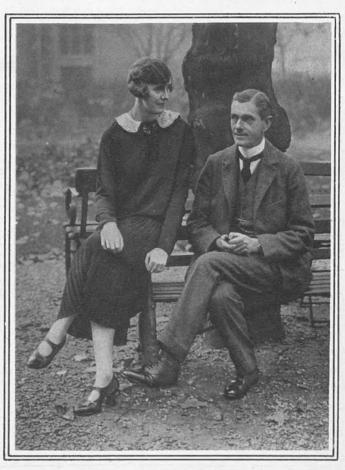


4. And she has been made a member of the Ladies' Junction Club. But the rooms are dreadfully like railway tunnels, the members seem aloof, and this great honour does not convey the happiness she

A Bride Elect, Two Brides, and Rudyard Kipling.



THE MARRIAGE OF MR. RUDYARD KIPLING'S DAUGHTER AND CAPT. BAMBRIDGE: THE FATHER OF THE BRIDE, AND THE MOTHER OF THE BRIDEGROOM.



A NEWLY ENGAGED COUPLE: MISS GYLLA ROLLO, AND SIR MALCOLM MACGREGOR OF MACGREGOR, C.B., C.M.G., R.N.



AFTER THE CEREMONY AT ST. MARGARET'S: CAPTAIN BAMBRIDGE AND HIS BRIDE, MISS ELSIE KIPLING.

The marriage of Miss Elsie Kipling, only daughter of Mr. Rudyard Kipling, to Captain George Bambridge, M.C., took place last week. Mr. Kipling gave his daughter away, and the reception was held at Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Baldwin's house.——Miss Cylla Rollo is the younger daughter of the Hon. Eric and Mrs. Rollo. Her engage-



AFTER THE CEREMONY AT HOLY TRINITY, BROMPTON: MAJOR C. E. WALKER, D.S.O., AND HIS BRIDE, MISS VIOLET McMASTER.

ment to Sir Malcolm MacGregor of MacGregor, C.B., C.M.G., R.N., fifth Baronet, of Lanrick, Perth, has just been announced.——The marriage of Miss Violet McMaster to Major C. E. Walker, D.S.O., M.C., R.F.A., younger son of the late Sir Samuel Walker, was celebrated last week.

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The Golden Bride of the British Minister to Persia.



IN HER WEDDING GOWN: LADY LORAINE, FORMERLY MISS LOUISE STUART-WORTLEY.

The marriage of Miss Louise Stuart-Wortley, elder daughter of Major General the Hon. Edward and Mrs. Stuart-Wortley, to Sir Percy Loraine, C.M.G., twelfth Baronet, British Minister to Persia since 1921, took place last week at St. Mark's, North Audiey Street. The bride made a lovely picture in her golden lamé gown, with its white-and-gold train, and pearl-edged veil caught at either side with a little bunch of

orange-blossom. She was given away by her father, and her attendants were Miss Pamela Sturgis, Miss Rachel Bingham, Master David Beaumont Nesbitt, and Master Philip Saumarez; while her three train-bearers were Miss Audley Beaumont-Nesbitt, Master Robin Sturgis, and the Hon. Guy Strutt, the pages being dressed in gold tunics and red-velvet capes, and the bridesmaids in gold frocks with red wreaths in their hair.

What They are Wearing in Paris.



Governments may rise and fall, but there is one leader—the Mighty Dame Fashion—to whom every woman still yields loyal alleglance. Our page depicts some of this enchanting and benevolent despot's latest edicts, and shows the charm of the latest models for day and evening wear.

At Kingston Lisle: Guests, and the Lady of the House.



A GUEST OF SIR HUGO AND LADY FITZHERBERT: MISS BERYL WHITE.

WITH TWO OF HER FAVOURITES: LADY FITZHERBERT.



WITH HER NIECES, VIRGINIA AND JOAN SEYMOUR: LADY FITZHERBERT.

A SNAPSHOT IN THE FORMAL GARDEN: THE CHÂTELAINE OF KINGSTON LISLE AND HER CHOWS.

These delightful "at-home" photographs, taken at Kingston Lisle, Wantage, show Lady FitzHerbert and some of her guests. She is the wife of Sir Hugo FitzHerbert, sixth Baronet, was formerly Miss Diana Isabol Erskine, and was married in 1920. The Misses Virginia and Joan Seymour are Lady FitzHerbert's nieces, being the children of her sister, Mrs. Horace

Seymour, the wife of the First Secretary to the British Legation at The Hague. Lady FitzHerbert is the elder daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Edward Erskine, and is a kinswoman of Lord Erskine. Sir Hugo FitzHerbert has a country place in Derbyshire, and one in Nottinghamshire, in addition to Kingston Lisle, his Berkshire seat and residence.

The Clubman. By Beveren.

About Galli-Curci.

The Galli-Curci craze seems in this country quickly to have reached right propor-

tions. Mme. Galli-Curci possesses range, and superb tone quality, but that is not enough to make her a Patti or a Melba. The leading critics treated her with wary consideration at first. Now they are not hesitating to say that she sings off the note more often than a singer of the very first rank should.

Mme. Galli-Curci is a perfect singer for

the gramophone, but with the gramophone there can be trial after trial until the rendering of a song is perfect. On the platform this cannot be done.

I suppose we must confess that the Galli-Curci "boom," although admittedly it has genuine substance, is the very latest example of a "boom" most carefully prepared and exploited.

I heard a tired cynic say the other evening,

" I wish all these boomed people from America could be done all in one evening. Why couldn't we have 'The Fool,' with Galli - Curci singing during the first interval, Nora Bayes during the second interval, and Master Coogan placed in a box where everyone in the audience could see him? Then we should get through all worked-up crazes in one evening, and have a rest.

When Patti First Appeared.

How different when Patti came to London in the 'sixties! A veteran, a diner-out, a subscriber to the Opera, was telling me about that unheralded but historic event. "I was at the races," he said; "and just before the chief race someone - I

forget now who it was - said: 'Going to Covent Garden to-night?' I didn't even know what was on, and he just remembered that it was 'La Sonnambula.' We agreed to go together, but it wasn't until I got to the Opera House that I knew that

a new soprano was making her début.
"When Patti appeared there was hardly any applause at all. I remember feeling sorry for her—she looked such a frightened little thing. But her first song was enough. It sent a flame through the house. Next day her name was on everyone's lips."

Plenty of election stories, The Gramoof course! The best I phone Talker. have heard comes from Yorkshire. A candidate greatly interrupted stopped in the middle of his speech. "I wish," he said, "that that interrupter would put me a definite question, or else would keep quiet."
"But he can't keep quiet," called out a

voice from another part of the hall.

"What do you mean-he can't keep quiet?" repeated the candidate.

"Well, you see," responded this hidden voice, "when he was a child and was taken to be vaccinated they couldn't find the proper instrument. They had to use a gramophone needle, and he has gone on talking ever since.'

Not So Many At a meeting in hamshire the sitting Memand asked, "What is it that I am standing here for to-night?" "Four hundred a year and no railway fares to pay," came the quick retort.

But, generally speaking, there has been not so much badinage and broad wit as in most elections. A more serious note has

Of late it has been noticeable how exceedingly well Lord Cavan, as Chief of the Imperial General Staff, got on with Labour's War Minister, Mr. Stephen Walsh. Neither Lord Cavan nor Mr. Walsh possesses much height, and both are human men who like to carry on business in an atmosphere of friendliness.

There was quite a flavour Reandean. of Reandean about the Repertory Players' production of "It Happened in Our Ardoran," at the Court Theatre the other Sunday. Mr. Campbell Gullan, who produced the play, and played the leading part (at a week's notice), and Mr. Walter Hugg, who was the young hero, are both in the cast of "In the Next Room," at the St. Martin's Theatre; while Miss Olga Lindo appeared for a long time under the Reandean banner.

Mr. Basil Dean might do worse than acquire this artless little play, although I think that elaborate lighting would kill it.

Our New Regent Street.

How quickly the rebuilding of Regent. Street pro-gresses. In another year it will be a new Regent Street, and although many people lament the loss of the Nash design—some talk much because they have heard others talk - it is not to be denied that many of the new buildings are worthy of the classic street.

The new Café Royal ought to be complete by next March. Only most detailed planning and engineering of the ablest kind have worked it, so that the alterations have gone on without interference to the daily business of the restaurant.

The famous cellars will be farther below ground than before - another

floor's depth. I hear, too, that the banqueting business—already so big that dinners have to be booked up two years ahead-is to become a still more important feature. One new room, capable of accommodating 800 diners, is being built. And there is to be a Masonic chapel that will rival anything in this country, or in Europe.

The wines at the great sale in Mincing Lane, when 14,500 dozens of bottles were sold, came from the Café Royal cellars. Not many restaurants could release so large a quantity, and still be able to point to cellars equipped to answer all demands likely to be made upon them for many years to come. I see that Luigi, of the Embassy Club, carried off all the 1917 Bollinger and the 1915 Clicquot. And the green Chartreuse, what there was of it, averaged £5 a bottle.



"OLD BILL" ENJOYING A LITTLE REPOSE: A CHARACTERISTIC PORTRAIT OF BILLY THE WALRUS AT THE "ZOO."

Billy the Walrus, the Old Bill of the "Zoo," is shown in our photograph wearing his "tin hat" and enjoying a peaceful siesta, without having to inquire, "Where did that one go to, 'Erbert?"

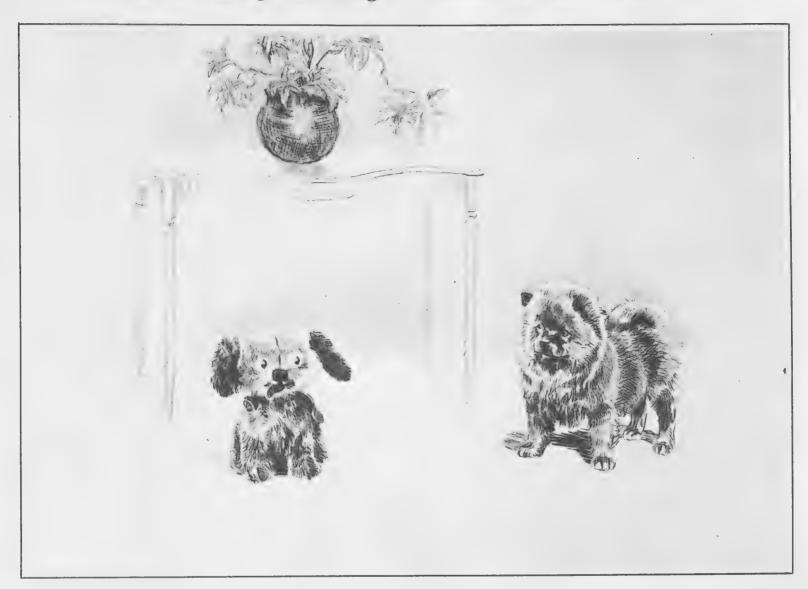
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been abroad. People have seemed to want to hear facts stated and argued upon conclusively and with clearness.

Lord Cavan, whose wife-Lord Cavan and Mr. Walsh. she used to be Lady Joan Mulholland—has given him a daughter, is a scientific soldier whose science is practical. As G.O.C. of the Guards Division he made one of the names of the

It is said in the Army that it was Lord Cavan who was the means of stopping the continued sacrifice of our troops in the bloody, costly Passchendaele Ridge fighting. He told the high authorities that his men, the Guards, were superior in physique and in length of training to the regiments of the Line, and that if they could not carry the hardest objectives, no men could.

Kirmse Dog Etchings: Third Series. No. II.



THE INTRUDER ("WHOSE BABY ARE YOU?")

And I don't fancy, somehow, you're a cat,
Although you look so smug. Why don't you speak?

I know you can—at least, I heard you squeak
When someone pinched you yesterday. You fright!

Just turn your head this way and be polite.

Where did you come from? My! how you do squint!

Look here, young lop-ear, can you take a hint?

There won't be room for you as well as me
About the house, and I came first, you see!

So toddle off—the front door's open. (Ooh!

He doesn't move . . . whatever shall I do?

I know! I'll drop him down the cellar stairs.

. . . 'Sposin' he bites me? If he does—who cares?

Joe Walker.

"Sketch" readers will remember that last week we published the first of our new series of Dog Etchings by Marguerite Kirmse, the famous animal artist, and special poems by Mr. Joe Walker. On this

page we give our second picture and poem, and feel sure that our readers will delight in the understanding of the canine mind and character which both artist and versifier express so admirably.

From the Etching by Marguerite Kirmse.

The Beautiful Wife of a Gordon Highlander at Home.



AT GULLANE: MRS. DE LANDE LONG.



THE LITTLE DAUGHTER OF MAJOR AND MRS. DE LANDE LONG: MISS PAULA DE LANDE LONG.

These delightful photographs of Mrs. de Lande Long and her children were taken at the house she had for the summer at Gullane, near North Berwick. Mrs. de Lande Long is the wife of Major de Lande Long, D.S.O., Gordon

PHOTOGRAPHS BY CAMERA PORTRAITS.

WELL OUT OF THE BUNKER: MRS'
DE LANDE LONG ON THE LINKS AT
GULLANE.

Highlanders, and was formerly Miss Nan Paterson. She is a fine all-round athlete, and skates beautifully. She is also a strong swimmer, and has the Humane Society's Testimonial for Saving Life at

EXCLUSIVE TO "THE SKETCH."

WITH HER SON AND DAUGHTER: MRS. DE LANDE LONG.

A Family Study.



Mrs. Euan Wallace is the eldest daughter of Sir Edwin Lutyens, the famous architect, and of Lady Emily Lutyens, and is the sister of the new Lady Ridley, whose marriage took place last week. Mrs. Wallace married Captain David Euan Wallace, M.C., in 1920, as his second

wife, and has two small sons, John and Peter, who are shown with her in our portrait study. Captain Euan Wallace is the Unionist candidate for Hornsey in the Election, polling for which takes place to-day, Wednesday, Oct. 29.

Portrait Study by Marcus Adams, The Children's Studio, 43, Dover Street, W.

THE HONEYMOON IN OUR FINEST NORMAN CASTLE:





THE HEREDITARY LORD ADMIRAL OF LADY TALBOT

WHERE LORD TALBOT DE MALAHIDE BROUGHT HIS BRIDE: MALAHIDE CASTLE, THE ANCIENT FAMILY SEAT.



WITH THE MINSTRELS' GALLERY ON THE LEFT; ANOTHER VIEW OF THE DINING-ROOM.



WITH LADY TALBOT -- FORMERLY MISS JOYCE KERR:
LORD TALBOT DE MALAHIDE.

Our "at-home" pictures of Lord and Lady Talbot de Malahide were taken at Lord Talbot's Irish seat, Malahide Castle, Dublin, where the honeymoon is being spent. Malahide Castle is a very ancient building, and is the historic seat of the Talbot family. It is considered to be the finest specimen of pure Norman architecture in Great Britain, and contains a number of family pictures and much old furniture. It will be remembered

LORD AND LADY TALBOT DE MALAHIDE AT HOME.



MALAHIDE AND HIS BRIDE: LORD AND DE MALAHIDE.



SHOWING THE FAMILY PORTRAITS: THE DINING-ROOM AT MALAHIDE CASTLE.



WITH HIS BRIDE, THE DAUGHTER OF THE ACTOR, MR. FRED KERR:
LORD TALBOT DE MALAHIDE.



IN THE GROUNDS OF THE WONDERFUL OLD HOME OF THE TALBOT FAMILY: $\mbox{THE ANCIENT ABBEY}.$

that Lady Talbot is the elder daughter of Mr. Fred Kerr, the actor, and that her marriage took place on Sept. 19. Lord Talbot is the sixth Baron, and is Hereditary Admiral of Malahide and the Seas Adjoining. Lord and Lady Talbot de Malahide were in town last week, and were at the première at the Ambassadors', where Mr. Fred Kerr is appearing.



TOMMY AND TUPPENCE.

A DETECTIVE SERIES BY AGATHA CHRISTIE.

Author of "The Man in the Brown Suit." "The Man Who Was Number Four." "The Grev Cells of M. Poirot" "The Mysterious Affair at Styles," "The Murder on the Links," 'The Sccret Adversary," etc.

No. VI.—THE SUNNINGHALL MYSTERY.

O you know where we are going to lunch to-day, Tuppence? Mrs. Beresford considered the

"The Ritz?" she suggested hopefully.
"Think again."

"That nice little place in Soho?"

"No." Tommy's tone was run of any nace. "An A.B.C. shop. This one, in fact." Tommy's tone was full of import-He drew her deftly inside an establishment of the kind indicated, and steered her to a

corner marble-topped table. "Excellent," said Tommy, with satis-ction, as he seated himself. "Couldn't be faction, as he seated himself.

better.

"Why has this craze for the simple life come upon you?" demanded Tuppence.

You see, Watson, but you do not observe. I wonder now whether one of these haughty damsels would condescend to notice us? Splendid-she drifts this way. It is true that she appears to be thinking of something else, but doubtless her subconscious mind is functioning busily with such matters as hamand-eggs and pots of tea. Chop and fried potatoes, please, Miss; and a large coffee, a roll-and-butter, and a plate of tongue for the

The waitress repeated the order in a scornful tone, but Tuppence leant forward

suddenly and interrupted her.

"No, not a chop and fried potatoes. This gentleman will have a cheese-cake and a glass of milk."

A cheese-cake and a milk," said the waitress, with even deeper scorn, if that were possible. Still thinking of something else, she drifted away again.

That was uncalled for," said Tommy

coldly.

But I'm right, am I not? You are the Old Man in the Corner? Where's your piece of string?

Tommy drew a long twisted mesh of string from his pocket and proceeded to tie a couple of knots in it.

"Complete to the smallest detail," he murmured.

'You made a small mistake in ordering

your meal, though."

"Women are so literal-minded," said " If there's one thing I hate it's Tommy. milk to drink, and cheese-cakes are always so yellow and bilious-looking."

'Be an artist," said Tuppence. "Watch me attack my cold tongue. Jolly good stuff, cold tongue. Now then, I'm all ready to be Miss Polly Burton. Tie a large knot and

begin."

"First of all," said Tommy, "speaking in a strictly unofficial capacity, let me point out this. Business is not too brisk lately. If business does not come to us, we must go to business. Apply our minds to one of the great public mysteries of the moment. Which brings me to the point-the Sunninghall

"Ah!" said Tuppence, with deep interest.

"The Sunninghall Mystery!

Tommy drew a crumpled piece of newspaper from his pocket and laid it on the table. That is the latest portrait of Captain

Sessle as it appeared in the Daily Leader.' said Tuppence. "I wonder " Just so," someone doesn't sue these newspapers some-You can see it's a man, and that's times.

all."
"When I said the Sunninghall Mystery, I

should have said the so-called Sunninghall Mystery," went on Tommy rapidly. "A mystery to the police, perhaps, but not to an intelligent mind.

Tie another knot," said Tuppence.

"I don't know how much of the case you remember," continued Tommy quietly.

'All of it," said Tuppence; but don't

let me cramp your style."

"It was just over three weeks ago," said Tommy, "that that gruesome discovery was made on the famous golf links. Two members of the club who were enjoying an early round were horrified to find the body of a man lying face downwards on the seventh tee. Even before they turned him over they had guessed him to be Captain Sessle, a wellknown figure on the links, and who always wore a golf coat of a peculiarly bright blue

Captain Sessle was often seen out on the links early in the morning practising, and it was thought at first that he had been suddenly overcome by some form of heart disease. But examination by a doctor revealed the sinister fact that he had been murdered, stabbed to the heart with a significant object-a woman's hat-pin. He was also found to have been dead at least twelve

"That put an entirely different complexion on the matter, and very soon some interesting facts came to light. Practically the last person to see Captain Sessle alive was his friend and partner, Mr. Hollaby, of the Porcupine Assurance Company, and he told his story as follows-

Sessle and he had played a round earlier in the day. After tea, the former suggested that they should play a few more holes before it got too dark to see. Hollaby assented. Sessle seemed in good spirits, and was in excellent form. There is a public footpath that crosses the links, and just as they were playing up to the sixth green Hollaby noticed a woman coming along it. She was very tall and dressed in brown, but he did not observe her particularly, and Sessle, he thought, did not notice her at all.

The footpath in question crosses in front of the seventh tee," continued Tommy. "The woman had passed along this, and was standing at the farther side, as though waiting. Captain Sessle was the first to reach the tee, as Mr. Hollaby was replacing the pin in the hole. As the latter came towards the tee, he was astonished to see Sessle and the woman talking together. As he came nearer, they both turned abruptly, Sessle calling over his shoulder, 'Shan't be a calling over his shoulder, minute.'

The two of them walked off side by side, still deep in earnest conversation. The footpath there leaves the course, and, passing between two narrow hedges of neighbouring gardens, comes out on the road to Windles-

'Captain Sessle was as good as his word. He reappeared within a minute or two, much to Hollaby's satisfaction, as two other players were coming up behind them, and the light was failing rapidly. They drove off, and at once Hollaby noticed that something had occurred to upset his companion. Not only did he foozle his drive badly, but his face was worried and his forehead creased in a big frown. He hardly answered his companion's remarks, and his golf was atrocious. Evidently something had occurred to put him

completely off his game.

"They played that hole and the eighth, and then Captain Sessle declared abruptly that the light was too bad and that he was Just at that point there is another off home. of those narrow "slips" leading to the Windlesham road, and Captain Sessle departed that way, which was a short cut to his home, a small bungalow on the road in question. The other two players came upa Major Barnard and Mr. Lecky-and them Hollaby mentioned Captain Sessle's sudden change of manner. They also had seen him speaking to the woman in brown, but had not been near enough to see her face. All three men wondered what she could have said to upset their friend to that extent.

They returned to the club-house together. and, as far as was known at the time, were the last people to see Captain Sessle alive. The day was a Wednesday, and on Wednesdays cheap tickets to London are issued. The man and wife who ran the small bungalow were up in town, according to custom, and did not return until the late train. They entered the bungalow as usual, and supposed their master to be in his room asleep. Mrs. Sessle, his wife, was away on a visit.

"The murder of the Captain was a ninedays wonder. Nobody could suggest a motive for it. The identity of the tall woman in brown was eagerly discussed, but without result. The police were, as usual, blamed for their supineness-most unjustly, as time was to show. For a week later a girl called Doris Evans was arrested and charged with the

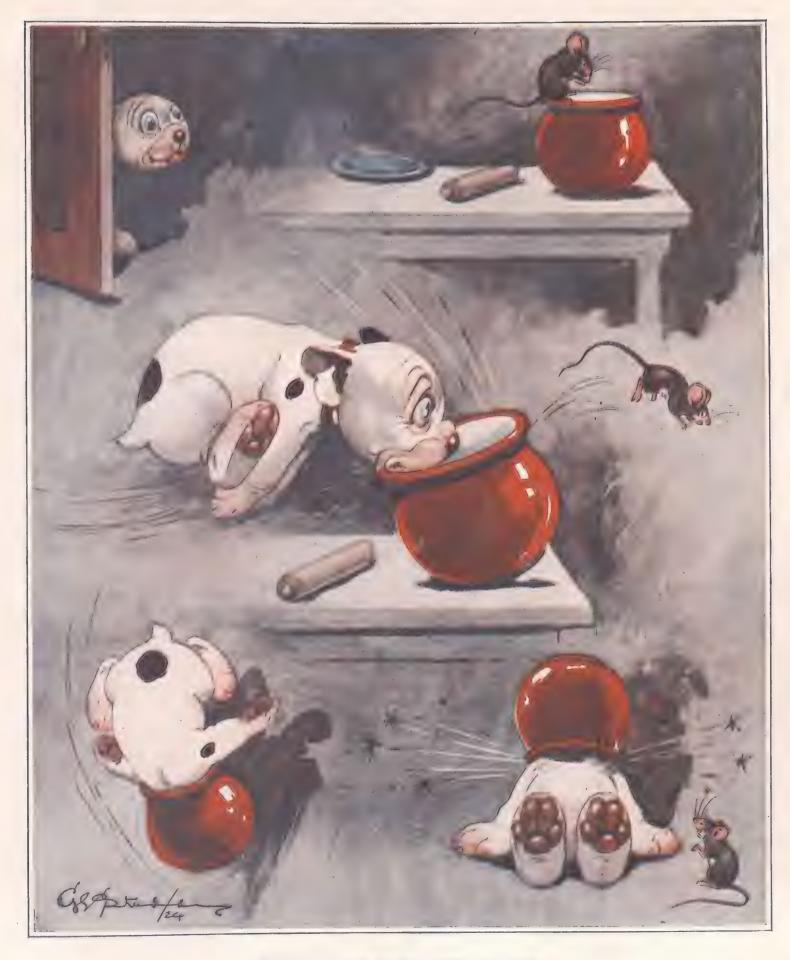
murder of Captain Anthony Sessle.
"The police had had little to work upon: a strand of fair hair caught in the dead man's fingers, and a few threads of flame-coloured wool caught on one of the buttons of his blue coat. Diligent inquiries at the railway station and elsewhere had elicited the following

"A young girl, dressed in a flame-coloured coat and skirt, had arrived by train that evening about seven o'clock, and had asked the way to Captain Sessle's house. girl had reappeared again at the station, two hours later. Her hat was awry and her hair tousled, and she seemed in a state of great agitation. She inquired about the trains back to town, and was continually looking over her shoulder as though afraid of something.

"Our police force is in many ways very wonderful. With this slender evidence to go upon, they managed to track down the girl and identify her as one Doris Evans. was charged with murder, and cautioned that anything she might say would be used against her, but she nevertheless persisted in making a statement, and this statement she repeated again in detail, without any substantial vari ation, at the subsequent proceedings.

Her story was this. She was a typist by profession, and had made friends one evening, in a cinema, with a well-dressed man who declared he had taken a fancy to her. name, he told her, was Anthony, and he suggested that she should come down to his bungalow at Sunninghall. She had no idea then, or at any other time, that he had a It was arranged between them that she should come down on the following Wednesday—the day, you will remember, when his servants would be absent and his wife

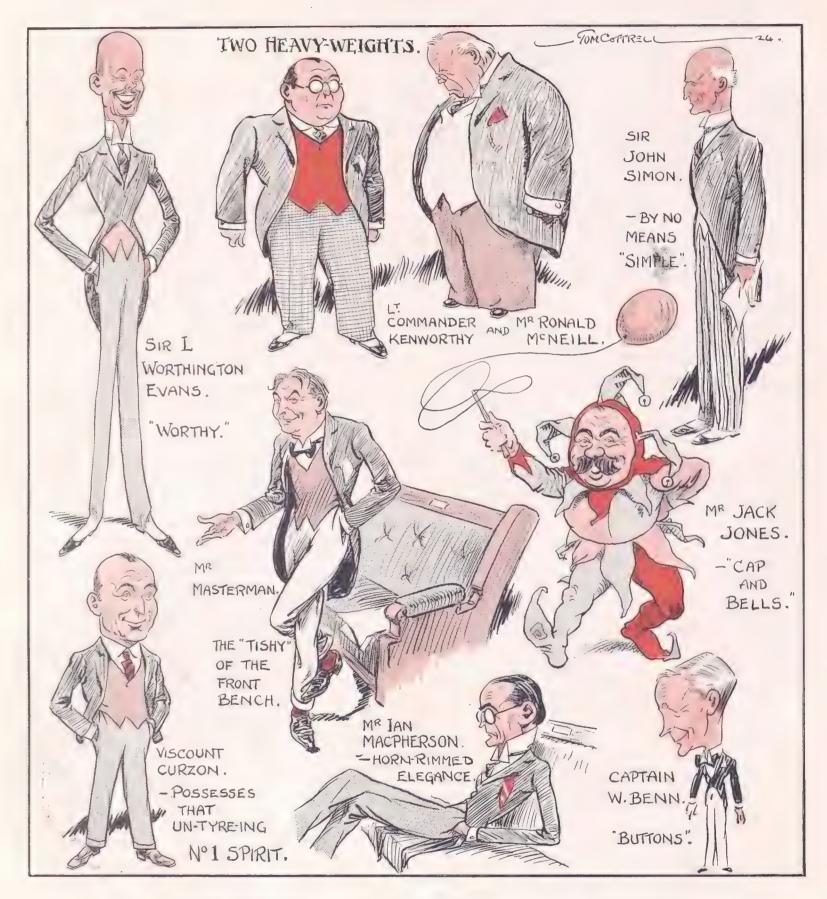
This Week's Studdy.



BONZO'S TONY-HUNT GOES TO POT.

Specially drawn for "The Sketch" by G. E. Studdy.

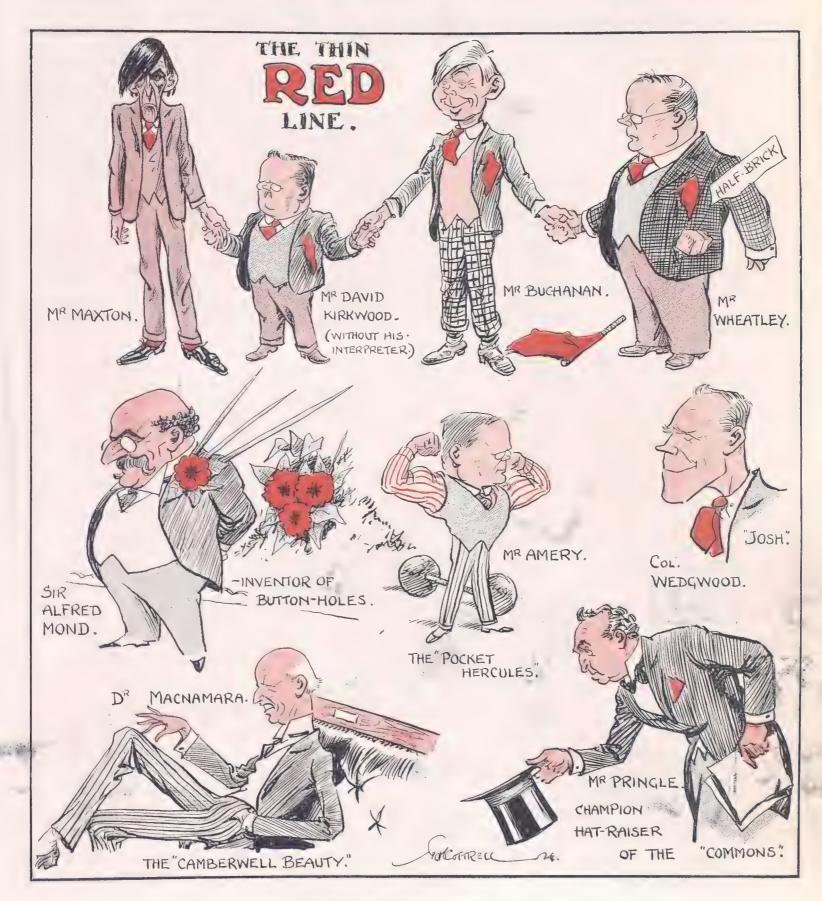
Not Sure of Their Return Tickets to Westminster.



-WILL THE COUNTRY SEND THEM BACK PARLIAMENTARIANS CARICATURED.

The noble company of politicians illustrated on our two pages of caricatures are drawn from the ranks of all the three parties who are to receive the "dead cert." in regard to receiving their "return ticket" from the country [Continued opposite.

Not Sure of Their Return Tickets to Westminster.



WILL THE COUNTRY SEND THEM BACK? PARLIAMENTARIANS CARICATURED.

to Westminster; but no one can be absolutely certain of the result of the poll till it is actually counted. No doubt there will be some surprises for is to rule us through the coming winter.

everyone when the results come out, and we know for certain which party

DRAWN BY TOM COTTRELL.



A WARWICKSHIRE HUNTING NOTE: THE QUARRY

(M.D.H., needless to sav, stands



OF SIR GUY, M.D.H., HAS GONE TO EARTH!

for Master of Dragon Hunt).

FRED LEETE.

Wife of the Liberal Candidate for Leith.



FORMERLY MISS MARGARET HOLMES: MRS. WEDGWOOD BENN.

Mrs. Wedgwood Benn is the charming wife of Captain W. Wedgwood Benn, D.S.O., D.F.C., son of Sir John Williams Benn, first Baronet (formerly M.P. for Devonport), and is the daughter of Mr. Daniel Turner Holmes, formerly Member for the Govan Division of Lanarkshire. She was married in 1920, and has a

little boy, born in 1921. Captain Wedgwood Benn sat for the St. George's Division of Tower Hamlets from 1906 till 1918, was elected for Leith in the elections of 1918, 1922, and 1923, and is contesting the seat against a Labour candidate this election, the polling for which takes place to-day, the 29th.

Photograph by Yevonde.

The Wife of the Conservative Candidate for Bournemouth.



THE YOUNGEST DAUGHTER OF LORD BORWICK: THE HON, LADY CROFT.

The Hon. Lady Croft is the wife of Lieut.-Col. Sir Henry Page Croft, Bt., C.M.G., who has represented Bournemouth since 1918, and who is contesting this election—polling for which takes place to-day—against a feminine Labour candidate, Miss M. Pallister. Lady Croft is the youngest daughter of the first Lord Borwick,

was married in 1907, and has one son and two daughters. Sir Henry Page Croft received his Baronetcy in the New Year's Honours List of this year. He and Lady Croft have a town house, in Southwell Gardens, and a residence, Knole, at Bournemouth, and are both very popular in society.

Photograph by Lafayette.

From London's "Punch Bowl" to N'York's "Louis XIV."



Miss Doris Patston is one of the young English artists who have attracted the attention of the great American "showman," Ziegfeld, of the famous Ziegfeld Follies, and is to go to the U.S.A., together with Miss Grata Fayne, in order to appear

in the new musical play, "Louis XIV.," adapted from the German by Arthur Wimperis, who is now in New York. She is at present appearing in "The Punch Bowl," and has also been seen at the New Princes "Five o'Clock Follics."

away from home. In the end he told her his full name was Anthony Sessle, and gave her

the name of his house.
"She duly arrived at the bungalow on the evening in question, and was greeted by Sessle, who had just come in from the links. Though he professed himself delighted to see her, the girl declared that from the first his manner was strange and different. A halfacknowledged fear sprang up in her, and she wished fervently that she had not come.

"After a simple meal, which was all ready and prepared, Sessle suggested going out for a stroll. The girl consenting, he took her out of the house, down the road, and along 'slip" on to the golf course. And then suddenly, just as they were crossing the seventh tee, he seemed to go completely mad. Drawing a revolver from his pocket, he brandished it in the air, declaring that he had come to the end of his tether.

"'Everything must go! I'm ruineddone for. And you shall go with me. I shall shoot you first-then myself. They will find our bodies here in the morning side by

side-together in death.'

"And so on-a lot more. He had hold of Doris Evans by the arm, and she, realising she had to do with a madman, made frantic efforts to free herself, or, failing that, to get the revolver away from him. They struggled together, and in that struggle he must have torn out a piece of her hair and got the wool of her coat entangled on a button.

Finally, with a desperate effort, she freed herself, and ran for her life across the golf links, expecting every minute to be shot down with a revolver bullet. She fell twice, tripping over the heather, but eventually regained the road to the station and realised that

she was not being pursued.
"That is the story that Doris Evans tells, and from which she has never varied. She strenuously denies that she ever struck at him with a hat-pin in self-defence—a natural enough thing to do under the circumstances, though, and one which may well be the truth. In support of her story a revolver has been found in the furze-bushes near where the body was lying. It had not been fired.

Doris Evans has been sent for trial, but the mystery still remains a mystery. her story is to be believed, who was it who stabbed Captain Sessle? The other woman, the tall woman in brown whose appearance so upset him? So far, no one has explained her connection with the case. She appears out of space suddenly on the footpath across the links, she disappears along the slip, and no one ever hears of her again. Who was she? A local resident? A visitor from London? If so, did she come by car or by train? There is nothing remarkable about her except her height; no one seems to be able to describe her appearance. She could not have been Doris Evans, for Doris Evans is small and fair, and, moreover, was only just then arriving at the station."
"The wife?" suggested Tuppence. "What about the wife?"

"A very natural suggestion. But Mrs. Sessle is also a small woman, and, besides, Mr. Hollaby knows her well by sight. And there seems no doubt that she was really from home. One further development has come to light. The Porcupine Assurance Company is in liquidation. The accounts reveal the most daring misappropriation of funds. The reasons for Captain Sessle's wild words to Doris Evans are now quite apparent. For some years past he must have been systematically embezzling Neither Mr. Hollaby nor his son money. had any idea of what was going on. They are practically ruined.
"The case stands like this. Captain

Sessle was on the verge of discovery and ruin. Suicide would be a natural solution, but the nature of the wound rules that theory out. Who killed him? Was it Doris Evans? Was it the mysterious woman in brown?"

Tommy paused, took a sip of milk, made a wry face, and bit cautiously at the cheese-

"Of course," he murmured, "I saw at once where the hitch in this particular case lay, and just where the police were going

"Yes?" said Tuppence eagerly.

Tommy shook his head sadly.
"I wish I did. Tuppence, it's dead easy being the Old Man in the Corner up to a certain point. But the solution beats me. Who did murder the beggar? I don't

He took some more newspaper cuttings out of his pocket.

"Further exhibits. Mr. Hollson. Mrs. Sessle. Doris Evans." Mr. Hollaby.

Tuppence pounced on the last, and looked

at it for some time. "She didn't murder him, anyway," she remarked at last. "Not with a hatpin."

Why this certainty?'

"A Lady Molly touch. She's got bobbed hair. Only one woman in twenty uses hatpins nowadays, anyway-long hair or short. Hats fit tight and pull on—there 's no need for such a thing.'

Still, she might have had one by her." "My dear boy, we don't keep them as heirlooms! What on earth should she have brought a hat-pin down to Sunninghall

for?"
"Then it must have been the other woman

-the woman in brown.'

"I wish she hadn't been tall. Then she could have been the wife. I always suspect wives who are away at the time and so couldn't have had anything to do with it. If she found her husband carrying on with that girl, it would be quite natural for her to go for him with a hat-pin.

I shall have to be careful, I see," re-

marked Tommy.

But Tuppence was deep in thought and refused to be drawn.

suddenly. "What sort of things did people say about them?"

"As far as I can make out, they were very popular. He and his wife were supposed to be devoted to one another. That 's what makes the business of the girl so odd. It's the last thing you'd have expected of a man like Sessle. He was an ex-soldier, you know. Came into a good bit of money, retired, and went into this insurance business. The last man in the world, apparently, whom you would have suspected of being a crook.

'Is it absolutely certain that he was the crook? Couldn't it have been the other two who took the money?"

"The Hollabys? They say they 're ruined."
"Oh, they say! Perhaps they 've got it all in a bank under another name. I foolishly, I daresay, but you know what I mean. Suppose they'd been speculating with the money for some time, unbeknownst to Sessle, and lost it all. It might be jolly convenient for them that Sessle died just when

Tommy tapped the photograph of Mr.

Hollaby senior with his finger-nail.

"So you're accusing this respectable gentleman of murdering his friend and partner? You forget that he parted from Sessle on the links in full view of Barnard and Lecky, and spent the evening in the Besides, you forget the dormy - house. hat-pin.

Bother the hat-pin!" said Tuppence impatiently. "That hat-pin, you think, points to the crime having been committed by a

woman?

Naturally. Don't you agree?'

No. Men are notoriously old-fashioned. It takes them ages to rid themselves of pre-conceived ideas. They associate hat-pins and hair-pins with the female sex, and call

them 'women's weapons.' They may have been in the past, but they 're both rather out of date now. Why, I haven't had a hat-pin or a hair-pin for the last four years.

Then you think-

"That it was a man killed Sessle. The hat-pin was used to make it seem a woman's

"There's something in what you say, Tuppence," said Tommy slowly. "It's extraordinary how things seem to straighten themselves out when you talk a thing over.

Tuppence nodded.

Everything must be logical—if you look at it the right way. And remember what Marriot once said about the amateur point of view-that it had the intimacy. We know something about people like Captain Sessle and his wife. We know what they 're likely to do—and what they 're not likely to do. And we 've each got our special knowledge.'

Tommy smiled.
"You mean," he said, "that you are an authority on what people with bobbed and shingled heads are likely to have in their possession, and that you have an intimate acquaintance with what wives are likely to and do?

"Something of the sort."

And what about me? What is my special knowledge? Do husbands pick up

"No," said Tuppence gravely. know the course—you've been on it-not as a detective searching for clues, but as a You know about golf, and what's golfer. likely to put a man off his game."

"It must have been something pretty serious to put Sessle off his game. handicap's two, and from the seventh tee on he played like a child, so they say."

Who say?"

"Barnard and Lecky. They were playing just behind him, you remember."
"That was after he met the woman—the

tall woman in brown. They saw him speaking to her, didn't they?

"Yes; at least—"
Tommy broke off. Tuppence looked up at him, and was puzzled. He was staring at the piece of string in his fingers, but staring with the eyes of one who sees something very different."

Tommy-what is it?"

"Be quiet, Tuppence. I'm playing the sixth hole at Sunninghall. Sessle and old Hollaby are holing out on the sixth green ahead of me. It's getting dusk, but I can see that bright blue coat of Sessle's clearly enough. And on the footpath to the left of me there's a woman coming along. hasn't crossed from the Ladies' Coursethat 's on the right-I should have seen her if she had done so. And it 's odd I didn't see her on the footpath before-from the fifth tee, for instance.

He paused. "You said just now I knew the course, Tuppence. Just behind the sixth tee there 's a little hut or shelter made of turf. Anyone could wait in there until-the right moment came. They could change their appearance I mean-tell me, Tuppence; this is where your special knowledge comes in would it be very difficult for a man to look like a woman, and then change back to being a man again? Could he wear a skirt over plus fours, for instance?"

"Certainly he could. The woman would look a bit bulky—that would be all. A longish brown skirt, say, a brown sweater of the kind that both men and women wear, and a woman's felt hat with a bunch of sidecurls attached each side. That would be all that was needed—I 'm speaking, of course, of what would pass at a distance, which I take to be what you are driving at. Switch off the skirt, take off the hat and curls, and put on a man's cap, which you can carry rolled up in your hand, and there you'd be, back as a man again." [Continued on Page xxxvi



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Criticisms in Cameo. By J. T. Grein.



I.

"THE PELICAN." THE NEW PLAY AT THE AMBASSADORS'.

THE Russell case with a difference. Here the husband, a weak character though a fine soldier, under pressure of tyrannical parents, responsible for domestic infelicity, wins, and divorce is pronounced. Seventeen years after-in Francethe wife, who has devoted all her life to her son (legitimate, despite the verdict), has fallen in love with her partner in business, and is about to marry him, when she discovers that her boy is determined to go into the Army. How is it to be done? He does not know his father; he has no father by law; yet the only man who can help him is his actual father. The family lawyer sees the way. Son and father shall meet unknown to one another. When they do, there is immediate sympathy, and the family likeness is so strong that the grandfather, still alive and suffering from amnesia, recognises in him his own son as he was in younger years. There is no longer any doubt as to the boy's identity, and in order to legitimise his position, the man who divorced his wife seventeen years ago proposes re-marriage. and (alas I) is accepted by the mother for the sake of her boy's career. Heaven only knows what her life will be after that: as she takes up the telephone to bid farewell to her lover she falters-hers is the complete sacrifice, and in my opinion, a wanton one. It was not a case of life and death for her son, nor a case of the country's call, it was merely a guarantee of career, and I think most mothers in 1924 would have acted otherwise, and sane sons of 1924 would not have countenanced their mother's immolation. when there are so many other ways of getting on in life. The opinions were very divided at the end. There was great discussion as we filed out, and the public, who received the play well enough, seemed a little damped by the conclusion. Had it been otherwise, the play would have achieved a triumph. Until the last scene of the last act, the tension of the house was acute. Those who analysed quickly felt, rightly enough, that the father could have easily bequeathed all his belongings to this son without coercing this outraged wife into a re-marriage bound to be loveless-an ill requital for seventeen years' penitence for a youthful waywardness. Besides, this forced ending to the play has the fault of discursiveness; after, the action is retarded by argument which would be more effective if it were not so terribly long-winded. For the rest-a fine piece of work: thoughtful, interesting, dramatic, with some clear-cut character drawings that gave great opportunities to the actors-Mr. Nicholas Hannen as the lover, a Frenchman of Jewish descent with a magnificent accent; Mr. Fred Kerr, poignant in a portrayal of senility; Miss Mabel Terry-Lewis, a rigid mother-in-law with a touch of the Terry charm; Miss Rosina Filippi, all tenderness as an old servant living with the wife in exile; Charles Cherry, decisive and incisive as the family lawyer who acts as mediator between mother, son and father: Miss Elizabeth Pollock, typical as the aristocratic young lady of romantic inclinations. Chelsea accents. and a haughty manner. Mr. Herbert Marshall was the husband who divorced under pressure, and late in life, after a second marriage, would begin where he left off. The man is a painted lath made to look like iron, and Mr. Herbert Marshall brought this out to perfection. He made the character almost sympathetic. Miss Josephine Victor, new to London but with a reputation in America, was the longsuffering wife, and in one great effort made her name.

She is an actress of strong personality; her power is restraint; she is natural in all she does; she never accentuates unless the action demands it. She is as simple as life itself, and she feels and expresses the tides of emotion. She knows when to modulate and when to let passion burst forth into flame. Thus she had moments of exquisite tenderness and moments of forceful outburst. When she began she was all



AS MARGUERITE IN "FAUST"—A RÔLE IN WHICH SHE WILL BE SEEN AT THE "OLD VIC." ON NOV. 6: MISS ANITA DESMOND. Miss Anita Desmond is the brilliant young prima donna who will be heard at the "Old Vic.," on Nov. 6, as Marguerite in "Faust."

Photograph by Lasalle.

nerves, and struggled for composure; anon she mastered herself and became the mistress of the situation.

J. T. G.

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"OLD ENGLISH," THE GALSWORTHY PLAY AT THE HAYMARKET.

It was Norman McKinnel's evening. His was a masterly creation of the stoic Old Englishman who was a ruler of men, a great bibber—descended from three-bottle men—yet, as is often the tragedy of age, a serf to a tyrannical daughter, and, secretly, the guardian of a family sprung from a son born beyond wedlock in his young and wild days. After this monumental characterisation of a figure as germane to life as the canvases of Rembrandt or

Velasquez, we would be justified in considering Norman McKinnel as one of the great actors of the age-greater than Guitry because his personality is as distinguished as his art. This achievement is all the more remarkable since really the old stoic was only great in shell and not in inwardness. He knew his power-he used it as a bully to a flock of shareholders; but inwardly, he was neither strong nor fair; he cowered to his spinster daughter; he had, perhaps, a soft spot for his grandchildren, but he was in reality not a fair specimen of that "Old English" which stands for honour with authority. Did he not even bargain a secret commission to make some sort of reserve for his left-handed family? Did he not make an old friend a party to this illegal transaction? Did he not admit, after he had stood up against a shady solicitor, who had smelt a rat and would have his pound of flesh, that the game was up, and seek solace in port and brandy, which gave his gouty heart and body the coup de grace? Yet we forgave all this inherent weakness for the imposing aspect of the man. In every phase, we who know the City saw his counterpart in older days, when dominating figures ruled the masses and the flocks (of shareholders) with a rod of iron until-some day the Colossus revealed feet of clay and sometimes ended at the Old

And if great praise is due to the actor, what of the imagination, the knowledge of the author who built up such a character, true to life in every detail, and who once more, with his wonderful dexterity, depicted phases of City life vivid in light and shade? True, Galsworthy has concentrated all his power on one man and one observation, as in "The Forest"; the rest of the environment, lifted as it is from the pages of a novel, is less poignant. The domestic picture of the great man's other family, with a mother who is a greedy, calculating, vulgar serial-writer, is rather satirical than true. They have lost much by the transfer to the stage. We feel their bookish origin; we scent, if we do not remember; or have not read the book, that they are not of the same mould as the central figure. The former belong to fiction; the latter is reality. This dualism will imperil the existence of the play, and an additional danger is that there is much "finance" in it - a subject that never greatly interests our public. In Galsworthy's Gallery, this work will take a secondary place, because it is a picture with one outstanding figure; the rest is unimportant, almost but chorus to the hero. Yet what capital dialogue, as usual; what economy of words to express a situation what immense stage-craft, lessened only in the second act, which dwells too much on irrelevant detail.

A perfect ensemble over again: Miss Irene Rooke; Miss Joan Maude, fresh and precocious in her portrayal of a tomboy girl, a little too selfconscious as yet, but charming to behold and full of life; Mr. Reginald Bach, excellent as a young boy who is a little over-educated, and gradually unbends; Mr. H. R. Hignett, a senile picture of great veracity; Mr. Lawrence Hanray, smug yet aggressive as a tainted lawyer; Miss Louise Hampton, wasted on a small part, yet rigid and haughty in her very spinsterhood; Miss Ethne Honan, exquisite as an Irish maid, with honey on her lips and music in her parlance. Her utterance of the last words before the curtain fell-" The Grand Old Gentleman-the great old sinner "-crystallised the whole meaning of the play, and she spoke them from the heart with a tear in her voice. These words were echoed in the ovation to Norman McKinnel. I. T. G.





AT THE NEW PRINCE'S RESTAURANT: MISS LAURIE DE VINE, THE AMERICAN ARTISTE.

Miss Laurie de Vine, the well-known American artiste, is now appearing at the "Frivolities" Cabaret at the New Prince's Restaurant, where her acrobatic dancing is rousing great interest. According to the "Daily Express," Miss de Vine is

a relative of the late Sir Michael O'Shaughnessy, once the Premier of Canada, and has danced both in America and in South Africa, where she had a considerable success in social as well as artistic circles.

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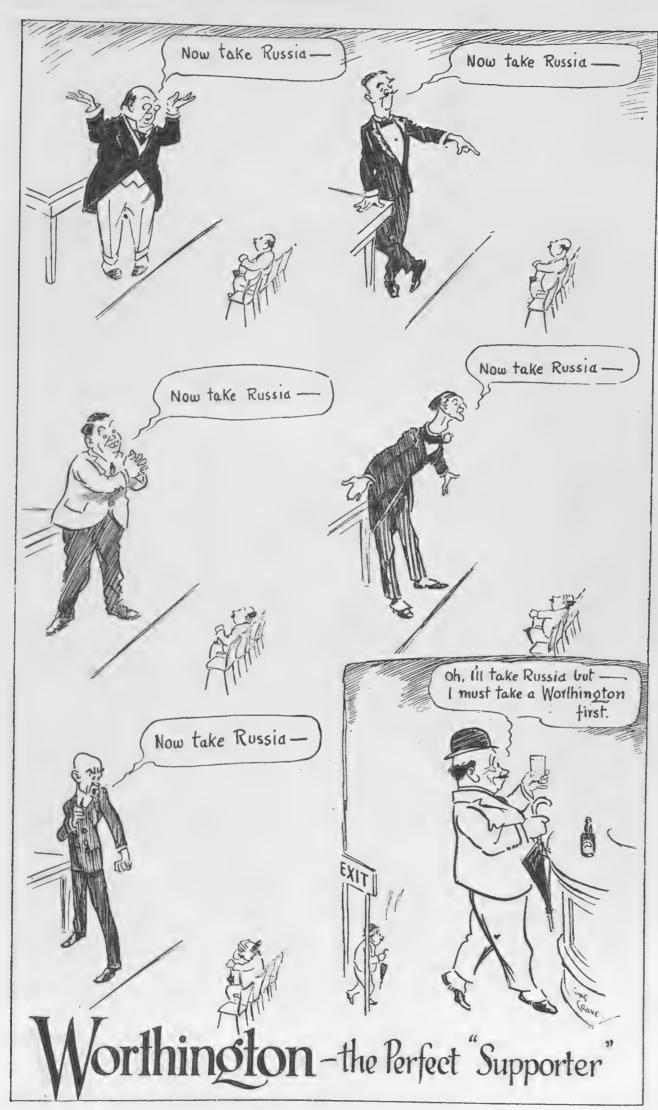


NOW TO BE SEEN AS "MICK," THE "WAR FLAPPER" HEROINE OF "REVEILLE": MISS BETTY BALFOUR.

Miss Betty Balfour is one of the 'greatest of our British film stars, and is now to be seen in the special season of the new Welsh-Pearson picture, "Reveille," at the Marble Arch Pavilion. The film story deals with life in 1918-1923—giving one year of the war, and dealing with the amazing "sham boom" of 1919, and has for its leading

character, Mick, the "War Flapper." The picture was shown once in the summer at a matinée in aid of Earl Haig's British Legion appeal, and was described by the Prince of Wales as a "jolly good film." Our photograph of Miss Betty Balfour was taken at Birchington, where she recently went to enjoy a holiday.

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HOW TO BE DECENTLY DRUNK: MISS NELLIE WALLACE IN "NEIGHBOURS," AT THE PALLADIUM.

Miss Nellie Wallace gives a wonderful exhibition of how to be decently "tight" in "Neighbours," one of the numbers in "The Whirl of the World," at the Palladium. She takes the rôle of Mrs. Jones, who, with her husband, Mr. Jones (Mr. Billy Nellie Wallace's rendering of Mrs. Jones enjoying this process!

Photographs by C. Pollard Crowther, F.R.P.S.

Rugger.

Rugby Football Notes and Sketches by H. F. Crowther-Smith.

THE doings of the 'Varsities about this time of the year always provide a fund of interest for their numerous supporters. As a rule the meeting of the rival Blues at Twickenham eclipses every other fixture on the Calendar—whetting the appetite for the International matches that come later. This year, though nothing can rob the 'Varsity match of its perennial attraction (for, like the Boat Race, it embodies all the ingredients of sport in its

highest form),
there is a counterattraction provided at Twickenham, a little more
than a fortnight
before the 'Varsity match date—
Dec. 9—by the
mecting between
a team representing London and

Our (so far) unconquered visitors from New Zealand. Both 'Varsity teams were playing in the vicinity of the great Metropolis on Oct. 18: Oxford against the Old Merchant Taylors at Teddington, Cambridge at Twickenham opposed by the Harelquins.

It was rumoured before the latter match

It was rumoured before the latter match that the Light Blue captain, A. T. Young, would not be able to take his place in the team, because the ankle which he injured during the South African tour was giving him trouble. But he was there right enough, revelling in the beautiful green turf beneath his feet, which must have felt as soft as a feather-bed to fall upon, after the hard, grass-less grounds of Johannesburg, Kimberley, Pretoria, etc. He was just the same

busy, nippy hub of his side as he was when I last saw him opening up the game for the English backs at Twickenham, last March, in that great match with Scotland for the Calcutta Cup. Arthur Young is the very last player who could be said to let the grass grow under his feet; but perhaps the novelty of finding it there was the cause of some of his passes lacking · their usual celerity D.M. BERTRAM. and accuracy in Walsonians & direction. Cam-SCOTLAND. bridge went off at once at a great

pace. Devitt, on the right wing, was quickly in the picture. He threatened to break through the defence of the. "Quins" by bustling their backs with a mixture of swerves and feints and cross-kicks, all administered at once. But these all-of-a-sudden tactics bore no fruit—though they deserved to. It was difficult to say in detail what happened when he had the ball, and why such bewildering rapidity fizzled out so suddenly.

Quite a disappointment was caused by the non-appearance on the field of the Welsh International, Rowe Harding, now a "fresher" at Cambridge. His name was down on the programme, and many people credited his deputy, G. A. C. Field, with being the famous Swansea "winger." The try which the latter got certainly would have done no dishonour to Harding. Field showed a remarkably clean pair of studs on each of his heels to the Harlequins' backs; while his manner towards the full-back was, to say the least of it, thoroughly unsociable. Francis, Young's partner in the firm of live-

ball dealers at Tonbridge, and in last year's 'Varsity match, was unable to assist his captain. In his stead, the Old Hailey-buryian, A. F. Hamilton-Smythe, was given a place in the team.

I remember a big individual effort made by this player last season in the Haileybury-Uppingham match. In the last few minutes of the game, when Uppingham were leading

R.J. HILLARD, OXFORD forward.

by 9 points to 6, Hamilton-Smythe got possession of the ball somewhere near the halfway line, and ran through the whole opposition to score between the posts-thus His conwinning the match for Haileybury. tribution to the score at Twickenham—a cleverly dropped goal—had much to do with the victory of Cambridge over the Harlequins by 12 points to 8. The 'Varsity forwards were a lively, clever lot-Ross Skinner particularly being in great form at the line-out. Had their back division worked more harmoniously, they should have won by a bigger margin. They were apt to run bunched together; and their passing was ill-timed and too obvious, so giving the defence little to guess at. It was a fast, open game—play being first in the "Quins" twenty-five, and then in their opponents. There were quite enough penalties administered.

At Teddington, Oxford proved far too formidable for the Old Merchant Taylors.

R. Cove-Smith, recently returned from South Africa, where he was captain of the British team,

worked as hard as ever in the scrum, and received able support from others of the pack. But Oxford's threequarters were constantly in possession, and the O.M.T.s' defence was inadequate. Jacob, the English three - quarter, and the Scottish International pair, Wallace and Macpherson, were continually testing the tackling ability of the Taylors - and finding holes in it. The final score, in Ox-ford's favour, was 20 points to 8. That

hardy perennial, W. I. Cheesman, who was Oxford's scrum half in 1910-11 (when that grand three-quarter, R. Poulton-Palmer, was such a force for the Dark Blues), was putting in a lot of useful work in defence, and converted one of the two tries for the Old Merchant Taylors. He must be very nearly the oldest man playing in first-class Rugger today. He is just a year senior to W. J. A. Davies, who was born in 1800. I see the famous old English "stand-off" was playing three-quarter (right-centre) for the United Services recently; and on the other side—the Royal Naval College—was his old partner in many an International, the equally famous C. A. Kershaw. The Services three-quarters were in great form—the

H.P. MARSHALL

HARLEQUINS

Irish International right wing, H. W. V. Stephenson, especially showing pace and cleverness. Now what are we going

Now what are we going to do to stem the stream of victories that is flowing so persistently for the All Blacks? Yorkshire, as I write, has just been annihilated by the tremendous score of 42 points to 4. When a side

score of 42 points to 4. When a side cannot stop their opponents from making a habit of running over their goal-line at regular intervals, it is not a very elevating spectacle. At Bradord, I understand the Yorkshire in goal was simply infested with New Zealanders. This was the state of affairs, too, at Swansea (look

state of affairs, too, at Swansea (look ar Cambridge you); and against the North Midlands, at Birmingham, they swarmed like ants about the goal-line. Can nothing be done to check this kind of thing? Will Ireland be capable of giving them at least a good game on Saturday next? These are weighty questions, my friends. And we shall not have to wait long for an answer to the last of them.

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Allow me to draw your The Horse. attention to the horse. It may be, of course, that your attention has been concentrated on the horse for some years past, and it is possible that you have been heard to curse the day when such an animal was ever created.

Even so, I shall still venture to call your attention to the horse. Strange as it may seem to many people, the horse was not, in the first instance, created for the benefit of bookmakers and the downfall of backers. Not at all. The horse was created as the friend and helpmeet of man, and also to set man a good example,

The average horse is a great deal better than the average man. Here and there you may come across a vicious horse, but I

would rather know a vicious horse than a vicious man or woman. The horse, if he dislikes you, does frankly let fly, punishment or no punishment. But the vicious human being indulges his spite devious methods, hoping thereby to injure the person disliked and escape all punishment.

As for the good horse, who is easily in the majority, can you name one human being who possesses so many lovable qualities? Such faithfulness, such courage, such affection, such meekness, such a complete abnegation of self? The good horse is not far short of a dumb angel, and I would give short shrift to the man who would take advantage of that dumbness to wreak his filthy temper on the gentle friend that God gave him when He created the horse.

" Men and Horses I Have Known."

The name of the Hon. George Lambton is known and respected by all those multitudes who take an interest in the racecourse. He has spent a lifetime among the finest horses bred in these islands, and his social position

enabled him to meet on equal terms the most distinguished of owners. He has now put together a book wherein he tells in detail the story of his life on the turf; and I commend this book very heartily to every lover of horses, whether he or she "goes racing " or not.

It is a book full of details of famous horses and notable races; but the quality that picks it out from most books of the kind is the author's keen understanding of the animal about which he writes. Here, it is plain to see, is a man who loves horses, and

whose success as a trainer must have been largely due to his genius for making horses love him in return. To discover this fact you must read between the lines, for our author is modesty personified.

He is one of those happy people who have spent A Destined their lives doing what they wanted to do and were born to do. From earliest boyhood he was associated with horses, and long before he went to Cambridge he had made his mark as a horseman. Still, it was the custom for young gentlemen to go to the University, so he scrambled, somehow or other, into Trinity College.

"Shortly after I arrived there," says he, according to the usual custom, I went to pay my respects to my tutor. A very pleasant man he was, and, after a certain amount of the ordinary civilities, he asked

Nevertheless, he learnt at What He Cambridge one lesson that Learnt. was to be of the greatest service to him all his life-namely, that no happiness can come from gambling for stakes that really matter with friends. If a man wants to gamble, there are always professional gamblers with whom it is just a matter of business to win or lose. If anything can be more unpleasant than losing a large sum

"There was very high gambling in those days," he writes, "at the University, and night after night I and my friends used to sit up till three or four o'clock in the morning trying to win money from each other. I very soon got tired of this, for it not only bored me, but it seemed to me a d-d stupid way of gambling. If you won, it generally meant you took the money out of the pocket

of money at a friendly game, it is having to

take a similar amount from a friend.

of your best who was probably not able to pay you. I have lived all my life among people whose custom it is to do this, and my early lesson at Cambridge, except on rare occasions, has kept me out of it. Of all the pursuits of amusement and excitement this high gam-bling amongst friends brings you the least satisfaction or profit.'

Fred Archer. But it is time we got

to the horses-or, at any rate, to the jockeys. Our author, of course, knew Fred

Archer very well, and has a great deal of interest to say about him.

" In those days jockeys were allowed to bet, and Archer at times betted heavily, but on such occasions he did not always ride with his usual good judgment, for he said he was in too great a hurry to get home. But I have known him ride some wonderful races against his own money. On one occasion at Windsor, Golding asked him if he would ride a brute of a horse called Westwood, with no mouth and a habit of bolting out into the country.

Archer said, "I will if you like, but I don't mind telling you I am going to have £500 on Domino." Golding said that did not matter, as Westwood had no chance, In the race, Archer, riding like a demon, got up and beat Domino by a neck, after having twice gone nearly into the river in two false

In those days there was no draw for places, and Archer was generally the first man out of the paddock, in order that he might get the rails. He never gave any trouble to the starter, and, like Donoghue, was always well



THE HONEYMOON COUPLES OF THE BASEBALL "INVADERS": MR. AND MRS. HUNTZENGER, MR. AND MRS. STIGEL, MR. AND MRS. MILLER, AND MR. AND MRS. YOUNG.

The famous U.S. baseball teams who have come over here to popularise the American national game in England—the New York Giants and the Chicago White Sox—arrived at Liverpool last week in the "Montroyal." Four of the players are making their baseball "invasion" their honeymoon trip as well. A certain amount of quite interesting baseball is played in this country, under the auspices of the American Legion, matches taking place at Stamford Bridge on Sundays; and there was once a London Baseball League. Just before the war the King witnessed a match at Stamford Bridge—the scene of the exhibition matches, the first of which was played last week, and the other two of which are fixed for Oct. 30 and Nov. 6, between the two visiting teams.

Photograph by C.N.

me if I had come to Cambridge to work or to amuse myself: if it was for the former purpose he would put me in the way of getting the best instruction possible, and would himself take interest in me; but, if my wish was for the latter, he could also tell me how to do the smallest amount of work, involving the least possible amount of friction with the authorities. Having unhesitatingly chosen the path of pleasure, so good was his advice that during the whole of that term I never attended a single lecture or did one stroke of work.'

Continued.] away. But Archer, we learn, was sometimes too severe on a horse, and not always too scrupulous in his riding.

One of the saddest little "William the stories in this book is that Silent." of William the Silent. I would like to have it printed in huge type,

and hung in every stable.

William the Silent belonged to the late John Corlett, the famous owner of the Pink



WITH THE KING JOHN LOVING CUP FROM WHICH PRINCE HENRY, AS HIGH STEWARD OF KING'S LYNN, TOOK A SIP OF WINE: MISS LYDIA BELOE.

When Prince Henry assumed the High Stewardship of King's Lynn, various traditional old-world customs were followed, in which a sword and loving cup, presented to the town by King John some 800 years ago, figured. Our photograph shows Miss Beloe, who presented the cup to Prince Henry for him to drink a sip of wine from it.-[Photograph by Photopress.]

'Un. Whenever William the Silent was entered for a race the Pink 'Un tipped it to win, and half the theatrical profession would put their money on him. But William the Silent could not win a race, so John Corlett wrote him down a hopeless rogue and sold him to Joe Cannon and the author of this volume for £150.

They soon discovered that there was nothing of the rogue about him whatever.

"After he [Cannon] had had the horse a

short time he found that he was not the archthief that he was painted, but a poor, weak, shivering creature who had had his heart broken in trying to live up to a false reputation. With kindness and patience Joe restored courage to this really honest but moderate horse, and after he had run in three or four races, and found that he was not going to be flogged when he was beaten, he became as true as steel."

I can only hope that John Corlett himself never knew that the horse was flogged whenever he lost a race. Why doesn't the Jockey Club take more notice of such cases? it really necessary for a jockey to carry a whip Many a race has been lost, I read in another part of this volume, through the jockey taking his whip to a horse that was already doing his utmost. A crowd that loves horses should wait on such a jockey and take the whip to him.

William the Silent. Well named, indeed.

There is a very pretty story of a filly called Can-The Old Tutor. terbury Pilgrim. She was irritable, spiteful, and kicked at anything that came near her. So the trainer found a tutor for her. The name of the tutor, a very sedate and experienced old horse, was Flare Up.
Flare Up was put in the adjoining box

to Canterbury Pilgrim, and the partition was made very low, so that the two could see

When Canterbury Pilgrim began to behave badly, biting and kicking the stable boy, old Flare Up would put his head over the partition and murmur a few words, in horse language. Instantly Canterbury Pilgrim became as good as gold. Eventually, under the soothing tuition of Flare Up, she won the Oaks! Flare Up was with her until she left the paddock.

I have marked many more Dedication. passages in this delightful book, but you must get the volume and read them for yourself. The last paragraph of all, which faces a most charming picture of the author's wife and her second son, is as follows:

"On looking back, I sometimes wonder whether, if I began life again, I should take up the profession of a trainer of race-horses. It has many advantages, but it has also many drawbacks. With a large stable of horses there is very little time or leisure for other things; your horses occupy your thoughts to the exclusion of everything else, and the man who is not always thinking about them is not usually much good at his job. I remember once a long time ago some trainer being discussed and making the remark, Oh, you can wipe him out; he has just been married.' I was much chaffed by my friends about this when, at a future date, I had cause to alter this opinion and was married myself. I found that by so doing the rough passages of life were made smooth, and the pleasant ones delightful. Certainly without

the help of my wife this book, whether for good or for bad, would never have seen the light, and it is to her that I dedicate its pages.

Nor will you be surprised when you see the picture of the lady.

Much fun " The Late Mr. Beverley." can be got personage who does not and never did exist. Oscar Wilde made an immortal farce out of this idea, and I remember that some acquaintances of mine, years ago, invented a deceased husband for a certain lady housekeeper, and would enlarge at rural dinner-tables on his wonderful virtues.

thus allaying scandal.
"The poor fellow quite the favourite of the regiment," one rascal would say, and appeal to the other rascal to support this statement.

"Oh, yes, indeed! They got up a subscription for the widow, and that gave the poor thing a fresh start in life."

The "widow" became an object of deep interest to all the ladies of the neighbourhood.

Mr. Thomas Cobb, whose pen is always mercifully light, has used this excelent idea in his new novel, "The Late Mr. Beverley."

I suspected very early in the book that there was no such person as Mr. ley, and I think your pleasure will be increased if you grasp that before you begin

Then why invent Mr. Beverley? Well, that is a delicate question to answer. If a lady falls in love, a lady may travel as far as Tunbridge Wells, I suppose? And if a lady finds herself in Tunbridge Wells, and it is too late to return that night, a lady must take shelter somewhere, I suppose?
And then, perhaps, if there is a war on,

a lady may find herself alone in England. And what if the storks bring a small boy to the lady? Small boys are supposed to have fathers. Why should not daddy's name have been Beverley? A nice, respectable, English name. And that, roughly, was how Mr. Beverley came to be.

Ah, but there are sequels! Wars do not last for ever, and warriors are apt to return to England. They may even meet prople whom they have once met at Tunbridge Wells. And, in that case, they would be quite likely to ask: "But who was Mr. Beverley?

And then ladies may have to explain. "'I wonder whether I can make you understand,' she said, with her eyes raised to his face.

"'I feel I can believe any mortal thing now,' answered Maxwell. 'Then,' he added, passing his hand across his eyes, 'there never was a Beverley-

"Never any other man in my life but you, Max dear. There never will be.

Max knew precisely what to do. What is more, he did it.

Men and Horses I Have Known. By the Hon, George Lambton. (Thornton Butterworth; 21s. net.)

The Late Mr. Beverley. By Thomas Cobb. (Stanley Paul; 75. 6d. net.)



A WELL-KNOWN AUTHOR AND PLAYWRIGHT ON HOLIDAY: MR. IAN HAY-MAJOR JOHN HAY BEITH (AUTHOR OF "THE SPORT OF KINGS") AND MRS. BEITH AT BIARRITZ.

Mr. lan Hay-or, to use his actual name, Major John Hay Beiththe well-known novelist and playwright, whose "The Sport of Kings" is now running so successfully at the Savoy, has been on holiday at Biarritz with Mrs. Beith. Our snapshot shows them enjoying the sunshine on the Plage Basque, and carrying their model yacht down to the sea .- [Photograph by C.N.]



What is Baby trying to tell you?

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Gossip from the Hunting World.



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"Beaufortshire" Thankful that the "summer"—save the name!—of our justifiable discontent is now concluded, we proceed to the cheerier business of the chase, to which continual wet, soft going, and a winter temperature are so admirably suited that it already claims to be the best cubbing season that ever was, with an average of a brace to a morning, and lots of fun to boot. Well, the interval has settled some of life's little problems, and started others, as is always



THE MASTER OF THE ISLE OF WIGHT HARRIERS: MRS. HOBART.

Mrs. Hobart, the Master of the Isle of Wight Harriers, is the wife of Lieutenant-Colonel Hobart, D.S.O., and is the owner of the largest Shetland pony farm in the country.—[Photograph by S.P.]

the way. The gossips are still engaged upon their pet topic, but, no *dénouement* having "arrived," are still guessing.

We are glad to see his Amateur Grace going strong, the Ford twins having now Architects. acquired balloons, but it is difficult going for cross-country work, and some narrow squeaks from a total loss have been rumoured, after daring excursions into boggy woodlands. The Duchess, Lady Diana, and Lady Worcester have been out regularly. Lady Blanche Douglas and her husband, who has quit soldiering, are at Luckington, which has suddenly become quite the rage, three old farmhouses, all in a row, having now been turned into hunting residences. Admiral and Mrs. Neeld are installed next door to the Douglases, and Colonel Steuart and Lady Avice Menzies have the other. So they call it "Quality Street" now! Not far off, near the next village of Sherston, Captain and Mrs. Keith Menzies are converting another old house. And all these clever people are doing their own architecting, altering, and garden-planning, with most successful and charming results. Captain and Mrs. Shennan have practically finished their transformation of three semi-ruined cottages at Easton Grey, beside the river, into an abode of unique attractions. And Mrs. Cyril Ward,

who indulges a special hobby for ex-rectories, is putting her experience at Sopworth into her alterations at Stanton—another fine old parsonage, full of possibilities, which, under her artistic planning, is sure to be an immense success, though it will not be ready for occupation yet awhile.

Lady Cowley has decided Shufflings of to winter in town; but the Cards. Seagry is so packed with priceless treasures that it is not to be let, and her cousin, Mr. Lionel Buxton, is keeping some horses there, and hopes to come to and fro for hunting as often as he can. The Sydney Hankeys will also be much missed; they, too, have gone to London for the winter, and have let Greenways to Captain and Mrs. Cannan for the season. Greenways stud attracted much interest at Tattersall's, Shylock fetching most money at 410 guineas, whilst the average for the horses was 250 guineas. Draycot will be empty till nearer Christmas, as Captain Dixon, who is Chief Whip of the Ulster party, is so occupied with political matters just now. Hungerdown, Major Guy Fremantle's house at Seagry, will this time be occupied by Colonel and Mrs. D. F. Lewis, as Mrs. Lewis has just sold Avening Court. Interesting newcomers will be Major and Mrs. "Tibbs" Crawshay, who have bought Swallett's House, near Dauntsey. Major Crawshay, who was a Welch Fusilier, is a son of the late Mr. Codrington Crawshay, so well known in South Wales, and a former Master of the Monmouthshire, whilst his wife is a daughter of Sir William Nelson, and a sister, of course, of the present Duchess of Westminster. Most people are in their places, and empty

houses are filling up fast. Soon there will be no vacant quarters anywhere, or any stone left unturned-literally -in the way of adapting a possible house to the needs of hunting people! The wedding of Miss Patience Fuller to Colonel Crichton-Maitland was, of course, an event of great local interest, for the brideone of a trio of pretty sisters—is very popular here. Lady Read's dance helped to beguile agreeably the same week for those on the Avon Vale side of the country, where Captain Holland-Hibbert's Mastership is starting so well, al-though Lord Long's loss will be terribly felt

Middleton and Sinnington-Derwent Notes.

The dread scourge of foot - and - mouth — touch wood, and unberufen—keeps far from the North and East Ridings of Yorkshire; and up here we are all looking forward to a bumper season. "Peach" Borwick and Lord Grimthorpe continue as Joint-Masters of the Middleton, and Dick Thatcher again hunts hounds.

Besides this, Lord Grimthorpe hunts his private pack two days a week. Up on the Wolds, round about the famous Sledmere, one expects to see the word yearling written next. The Middleton have had a most successful cubbing season, killing a good number of cubs, and lately have had several good gallops, notably a nice fifteen minutes from the celebrated Farlington country over the York and Ainsty boundary; and another quick ten minutes in the same parts, over a nice open drain, where one of the field was kind enough to see if it had a sound bottom! Last week they had a good hunt from Buttercrambe to Housham Hall, killing their fox in front of the house. Tatton Willoughby is living there again, Captain and Mrs. Charlesworth having moved on to Whitwell Hall. She was Diana Beckett, and, till she married last year, had never hunted; but she is taking to it like a fish to water, and now that she has deserted the cross- for the side-saddle, will shortly take a deal of catching. Very few women are really at home riding astride. There are, of course, exceptions to this as to every rule —the first ones that come into the mind being Lexie Wilson, well known in the Midlands; Mrs. Gordon Foster, who has, I think, only favoured this fashion since the war; and Lady Manton (Alethea Langdale that was).

Taking on "Some" Work.

the combined Sinnington and Derwent countries himself four days a week, kennelling the combined packs in the Sinnington kennels at Kirbymoorside. The Derwent Vale is as



CUBBING WITH THE SINNINGTON AND DERWENT AT ELLERBURN:
MRS. GORDON FOSTER, THE WIFE OF THE MASTER.
Mrs. Gordon Foster is the wife of Major Gordon Foster, Master of the Sinnington and Derwent.—[Pholograph by S. and G.]

good as the Sinnington, but there is also some very rough "high country." People living round and about Malton are favoured, as they can get the Middleton best days (Wednesdays and Saturdays), the famous Sinnington Thursdays, and now the Derwent Tuesdays—all within easy reach.



Amateurs v. Professionals at Golf.

By R. Endershy Howard.

with Sir Ernest Holderness as a Ball or a Hilton in the matter of sheer consistency and

Two Types.

accuracy of hitting; Mr. Tolley as a Freddy Tait in his capacity to do the big thing

when the odds look hopelessly against him;

and Mr. Wethered as a Jack Graham in his innate brilliancy that may rise to super-brilliancy or trail off into waywardness.

not be omitted. He appears to have come back from America a

Major C. O. Hezlet could

An Opportunity. It is a nice question as to how the standard of amateur golf in Britain compares at the present time with that of professional golf. I am inclined to think that the two are nearer to a state of equality than they have been for a very long while; and that if some enterprising body were to arrange a match of, say, ten a side between representative teams of amateurs and professionals, the result would not be such a wholesale slaughter of the Simon Pures as might have been expected at almost any time during the past quarter of a century. The reason is partly that amateur golf in this country seems to be advancing in the matter of tactics. There is less of the death-or-glory hitting in which a new generation found relief with the resumption of the game in 1919. There is a greater appreciation and practice of that controlled endeavour of the kind which produced the Balls and Hiltons and Grahams and Maxwells.

Thirteen Years Professional form, on the other hand, has never been Ago. so confusing and uncertain as it is now. It is like the weather; all fits and starts and mostly dull. The old machinelike excellence of the leading professionals has disappeared. If teams were to meet in such a match as that suggested, very likely the professionals would win, but I do not think that the amateurs would be overwhelmed. There has been only one contest of this description. It took place at Sandwich in 1911, in celebration of Coronation year, and was decided by foursomes. There were nine couples a side, and the

professionals triumphed by eight games to

one. The only winners for the amateurs were Mr. H. W. Beveridge (whose practice nowadays at the Parliamentary Bar prevents much practice at golf), and Mr. Lionel Munn, that great Irish player who has virtually retired from the game, owing, I believe, to failing eyesight caused by war service. They beat Rowland Jones and the late Michael Moran at the thirtyeighth hole.

Heyday of Professional Form.

Most of the other professional couples won their matches easily. It has to be remembered, however, that those were the days when professional golf was at the very zenith of its power. Vardon. and Taylor Braid, were all playing brilliantly. Their like as liantly. a trio has been seen in no other era of golf, nor has any other

game possessed as contemporaries three men of such outstanding ability as these. They were well utilised, too. One appeared with a dependable partner in each of the first three

MISS D. R. FOWLER, WINNER

OF THE MIXED FOURSOMES AT

WORPLESDON, WITH MR. E.

NOEL LAYTON.

Miss D. R. Fowler, who was runner-

Championship, won the Mixed Four-

somes at Worplesdon, with Mr. E.

up in the English Ladies'

games, which therefore were virtually foregone conclusions in favour of the professionals. Even so strong a pair as Alexander Herd (who can hold his own with the rising generation to this day, but who was certainly a better player thirteen years ago) and the late Tom Ball, then one of the first



THE WINNING PAIR IN "EVE'S" LADIES' FOURSOMES AT RANELAGH: MISS P. COTGRAVE AND MISS DORIS HARTILL.

The result of the "Eve" Ladies' Foursomes at Ranelagh was that Miss P. Cotgrave (Stoke Poges) and Miss Doris Hartill (Copt Heath) beat Miss Bradley and Miss Greig (to whom they gave two strokes), by five and three in the final .- [Photograph by S. and G.]

half-dozen professionals in the land, occupied the modest position of fourth in the winners'

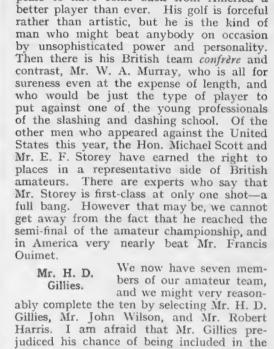
team. It is certain that the professionals could now put into the field no such side as this, and it would be a fine thing to give the amateurs a chance of gaining a little glory.

First Choices.

If the amateurs enjoyed the help of a good maker of contracts, he would bargain for foursomes over eighteen holes in the morning, and singles over eighteen holes in the afternoon - for the British amateur, unlike his American rival, appears to be much better in a match of this extent than in one of thirty-six holes. Indeed, under such conditions, I do not know that there would be any real certainty in any individual game. Who would be the players? So far as concerns the ama-

Noel Layton. -[Photograph by S. and G.] derness, Mr. Cyril Tolley, and Mr. Roger Wethered stand self-selected. They are very nearly, if not quite, up to the best standard

of a previous great generation of amateurs,



English side and the team for America by persisting in the use of his nine-inch tee until the Rules Committee issued a pro-

clamation implying condemnation of it. regarded it as a bit of fun, but they took a different view of it. He is certainly in the front rank of British amateurs; he was unlucky not to win the George's this season, and his recent score of 72 at Prince's, Sandwich, in the Medical Golfing Society's tournament was one of the great rounds of the year.



professionals would have no hesitation in choosing George Duncan, Abe Mitchell, Edward Ray, Ernest Whitcombe, and Charles Whit-Whitcombe, combe; but after that they would have to do a good deal of thinking. Possibly they would plump for Len Holland among the men who are very near to being top-notchers. and come to the conclusion that they could not omit Var-

don, Taylor, Braid, and Herd, in spite of the burden of years that these four have to carry. In a needle match, they are still as good as most of their younger rivals.



MR. E. NOEL LAYTON, WINNER OF THE MIXED FOURSOMES AT WORPLESDON, WITH MISS D. R. FOWLER.

Mr. E. Noel Layton partnered Miss D. R. Fowler in the Mixed Foursomes at Worplesdon, and defeated Miss Winn and Mr. F. Mead in the final.—[Photograph by S. and G.]



The Entrance Hall, Belvoir Castle.

"Four-and-Twenty Fiddlers"

N this crowning point of the Leicester Hills, where the Conqueror's standard-bearer, Robert de Todenci, first built his stronghold, many castles have been raised and destroyed. The present Belvoir Castle, despite its castellated walls and rounded turrets, can boast no great antiquity, though it stands on the old foundations and incorporates some few portions of ancient origin. Happily, however, much valuable material has been preserved from the wreckage of the earlier structures. Here can be seen many works by famous old masters, objects of art innumerable, and historic relics of absorbing interest.

Among the most cherished possessions of Belvoir Castle is a great silver punch-bowl, of which it is related that at the marriage festivities of Lord Roos and the daughter of William Lord Russell in 1603 the bride and the groom were met at the gate by "four-and-twenty fiddlers all in a row, four-and-twenty trumpeters with their tantara, ra, ras, four-and-twenty ladies and as many parsons." In order they proceeded to the great dining-room to wish joy to the happy pair in tankards brimful of sack posset, "but after an hour's hot service the posset in the great cistern did not sink above one inch."

Sack posset is no longer in favour, but John Haig Scotch Whisky, distilled first in 1627, has ever retained and increased its popularity, for which its consistent maturity and perfect quality are chiefly responsible.



An old Sevres turquoise blue Ewer and Basin.

John Haig?

Everything is Fur or Feather Trimmed.





Dance and dinner frocks are delightfully simple this season, and here are two pleasantly inexpensive models from Swan & Edgar, Piccadilly, W. The fashionable tunic frock on the left—in cinnamon chiffon veloet, bordered with gold lace and fur—will change ownership for $7\frac{1}{2}$ gns.; and 7 gns. secures the diaphanous affair above of rose georgette and clipped ostrich plumes, encircled with a girdle of diamanté.

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ELWIN NEAMS.



WOMAN'S WAYS. MABEL HOWARD,

Wind and rain have devastating effects on the neatest shingled hair, but

Some Frivolous
Uses of Sober
Wool.

A few weeks ago a learned professor predicted that our climate would get steadily colder, and that

the depressing summer we experienced this year was but a herald of worse things to come. It would seem an unduly pessimistic remark, I think; but in any case, the creators of our fashions are leaving nothing to chance. They are even introducing wool on our newest evening frocks this season! From the shoulder of one straight affair in fuchsia romaine, which was much admired at a recent dress show, floated an airy scarf which proved to be fashioned of the finest Shetland wool lace imaginable, tinted to the same shade as the frock, and embroidered with many-coloured silks, while the long Russian tunic was bordered with massed flowers in wool and silk frosted with diamanté. From knitting to darning is a swift transition, and I was hardly surprised to discover another dance frock, this time in filmy amber georgette, literally darned here and there with silk and chenille in exquisite colourings. Cross-stitch, too, beloved of our grandmothers, is emerging from the shades in which it has slept undisturbed for many years. Frocks for afternoon and evening are lightly decorated with quaint oldfashioned designs in soft tints, and wrap coats are boldly bordered with it in striking patterns and colourings. Flowers carried out in this stitch are always effective; and one frock of black chiffon velvet, as straight and tight as a wellfitting glove, had a spray of them on the left side reaching from shoulder to hem. The spray was carried out in white wool, the petals and slender leaves being outlined with sparkling

Hats and Gloves of Leopardskin.

diamanté and crystals.

Not content with wool, many of the most fashionable toilettes suggest the warmth of tropical coun-

tries, with their trimmings of leopardskin. Tailored coat-frocks of black repp look amazingly well with cuffs, collar, and many buttons of this fur, while panels of it are introduced in many amusing ways. Whole frocks and coats are made in leopardskin velvet, which reproduces exactly the bold black-and-gold markings, while well-known sports outfitters are painting little leather hats with the same design. They are ideal for sport and country wear, and gauntlet gloves of leopardskin add a final touch of distinction to the simplest outfit.

Versus Damp Weather.

By now, even the most prejudiced critic admits the fascination of the boyish shingled head, perfectly a hair out of place. But,

waved, with not a hair out of place. But, alas! a damp or windy day wreaks havoc in the best-regulated coiffures; and nothing is so disillusioning as to see stray wisps of hair escaping from under a hat which would otherwise be irresistible. To avoid this

contretemps, which occurs only too frequently in our fickle climate, James Stewart, the well-known coiffeur who has salons at 80, New Bond Street, and 225, Regent Street, W., has created the "True-to-Nature" bobbed side wavelets. They are attached invisibly over the ear, beneath one's own locks, and form a soft frame to the face. Under a hat they are exceedingly becoming, as can be seen by the illustration on this page. They can be obtained from 2 guineas upwards, and Mr. Stewart showed me also long double wavelets (ranging from 3 guineas), which are worn at the back of the head. They are perfectly flat, and retain the muchdesired boyish outline while hiding unruly

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They are created by James Stewart, of 80, New Bond Street, W.

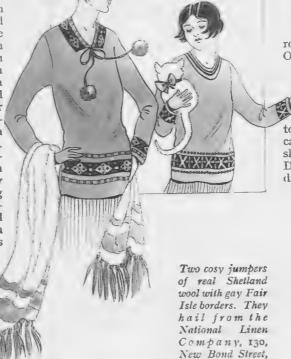
jumpers. There is an infinite variety of golf stockings and children's socks in every hue and design, which will yield splendid service. Cosy underclothing for every age can be obtained at all prices. As for Shetland shawls, they can be secured from 7s. 6d. upwards, and the famous lace variety range from 19s. 6d. to £6 6s. They are very welcome gifts at this time of the year.

The Magic Art of Dyeing.

The Magic Art of Dyeing.

Tobe at comparatively negligible expense. One has only to remember the miracles performed by Stevenson Bros., the famous Dundee dyers and cleaners, who transform the most faded frocks and coats into fashionable affairs which are quite unrecognisable as "last year" toilettes by one's friends! The newest shades can be obtained at the cost of a very few

toilettes by one's friends! The newest shades can be obtained at the cost of a very few shillings, and I advise every reader to apply to Dundee for full particulars, including the address of the nearest agent. [Continued overleaf.



locks. This firm's new steam process of permanent waving is excellent, and achieves perfect results. Mr. Stewart will gladly give full details and advice to any reader of this paper. Free consultations, too, on all matters appertaining to the scalp and hair will be gladly given.

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Real Shetland
Woollies.

Nowadays children revel in the same clothes as their elders, the only difference being in size; and everyone in search of cosy Shetland woollies for the family should visit the National Linen Company, 130, New Bond Street, W., who are responsible for the two practical jumpers pictured above. They are in the natural Shetland wool with gay Fair Isle borders, and range from 16s. 9d. for children, and from 35s. 6d. in full sizes. Plain

35s. 6d. in full sizes. Shetland cardigans are 29s. 6d. and 42s. 6d., matching the



A box from Slevenson Bros., Dundee, the famous dyers and cleaners, heralds the arrival of last year's frock magically transformed into a fashionable affair in lovely colourings.

WOMAN'S WAYS.

By Mabel Howard.

The new "Polo" sweater spon-

sored by Greensmith Downes,

George Street, Edinburgh. It is

fashioned in pure Scotch knit wool.

Wraps that are Perfectly Tailored.

It is hardly necessary to dilate upon the perfect tailoring of Thomas, 6, Brook Street, W., for I know his reputation to be far-famed. Con-

know his reputation to be far-famed. Consequently, the two graceful coats pictured here need no further introduction, for they were sketched in his salons. The one on the left is a useful wrap of real Scotch tweed in a new striped weave of shaded partridge brown. It costs 11 guineas; and there is a wide choice of motoring and country coats of a similar genre ranging from 10 guineas. The second coat pictured is of grey cashmere trimmed with phami fur. The many buttons and buttonholes add a chic finishing touch. By the way, winter coats and skirts are made to measure from 13 guineas, with specially fitting yokes, etc., and riding habits also, bearing the inimitable cut which only perfect tailoring can give.



Two perfectly tailored coats for town and country from Thomas, 6, Brook Street, W. Scotch tweed in shaded partridge colourings expresses the one on the left, and grey cashmere trimmed with phamifur, that on the right.

One can hardly call the A Book of brochure of furs recently Lovely Furs. issued by Harrods, Knightsbridge, S.W., a catalogue, for it contains really beautiful illustrations on thick art paper. In spite of this, however, it will be sent gratis and post free to all who apply mentioning the name of this paper-an opportunity which should not be neglected. Amongst the more valuable furs is a wonderful coat of Persian lamb deeply bordered with skunk, and another of black-and-gold leopardskin collared with fitch. Then a long moleskin coat with a large hood collar is priced at 33 guineas, and one of natural musquash at 28 guineas. Large double fur ties of blue volf can be secured for 6 guineas, and fashionable black bear ties range from 89s. 6d. Another item which must not be overlooked

is the fascinating cravat of natural skunk, available for 79s. 6d. Briefly, every woman will find the fur she desires amongst its pages, at prices fitting every pocket.

I confess to The New having fallen " Polo " an instant vic-Sweater. tim to the new "Polo" sweater which is sketched on this page. has been created by Green-Downes, smith George Street, Edinburgh. Made in real Scotch knit wool, it boasts the new high, turnover collar, which is ideal for all sports at this time of year. Furthermore, it costs only I guinea, and will be gladly sent on approval on receipt of the usual trade references. I advise every reader to lose no time before applying for the new book of Scotch knitted wear issued by this firm. It will be sent gratis and post free. There are several pages reproducing in colour the knitted frocks and suits for which Greensmith Downes are famous. The Torholm two-piece suit with a plain skirt and checked coat

can be secured in several colour-schemes for 59s. 11d.; and 39s. 6d. is the price of a useful woollen frock trimmed with artificial silk. Then captivating little fur felt hats, as light as air and adjustable to any shape, can be obtained for a guinea in many colours.



A Brochure
of Winter
Fashions.

With a view
to replenishing winter
wardrobes inexpensively, every reader should
write to Swan and Edgar, Piccadilly, W., for their new illustrated brochure, which contains
many delightful possibilities.

For country wear there are long, well-cut checked coats in woollen materials, completed with gay scarf collars, for 40s., and well-cut skirts in hopsack for 8s. 11d. For town, graceful winter coats in

Continued.

graceful winter coats in wool velour trimmed with fur range from 70s., and fur-trimmed coats and skirts from 80s. Simple tailored frocks to wear underneath are indispensable, and attractive affairs in wool repp trimmed with amusing lines of buttons can be secured for 60s., or for 25s. in artificial silk jersey, panelled with braid.

Next An Economy Mon-Week. day, November 3, heralds the commencement of Economy Week at Dickins and Jones', Regent Street, W., when every department is offering special bargains of the season at wonderfully modest prices. Every reader who is unable to make a personal visit should apply without delay for a catalogue giving particulars of the splendid harvest

to be reaped. It will be sent gratis and post free to all who mention the name of this paper.

Novelty of the Week.

Lovely evening wraps in opalescent colourings can be obtained for 4½ guineas, fashioned in shimmering "Sungleam" satin. I shall be pleased to state where they may be obtained to every reader who applies to this paper.



Two fascinating frocks for festive evenings, which were sketched at Stagg and Mantle, Leicester Square, W. The one on the left is a study in shaded fuchsia colourings, and the second is in vivid Madonna-blue georgette and silver lace.

Matron's Two - Piece Costume

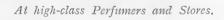
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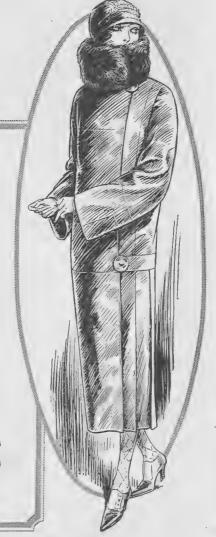
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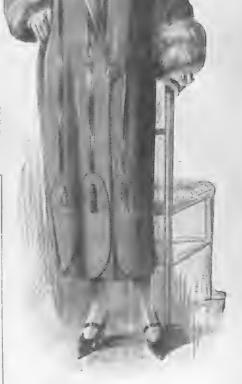
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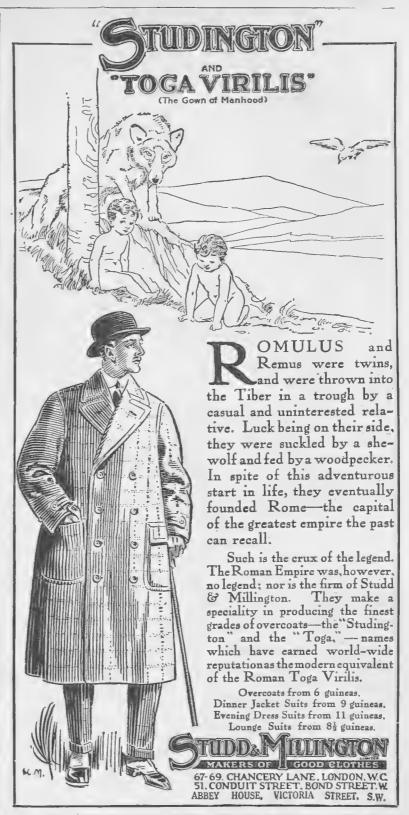
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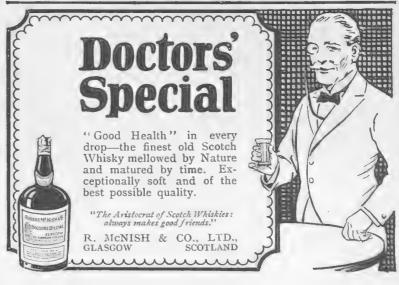
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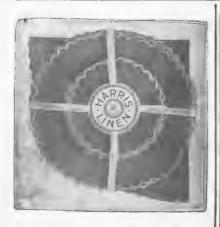




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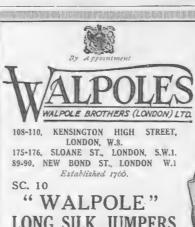
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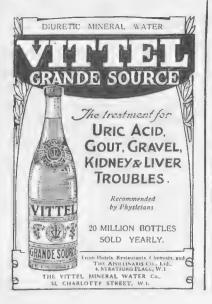
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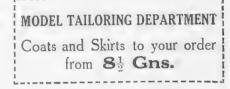
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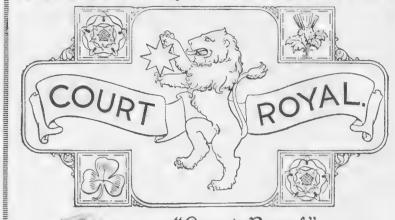
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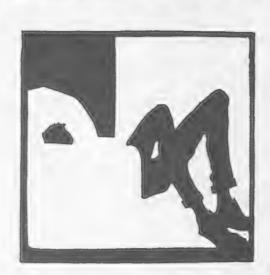


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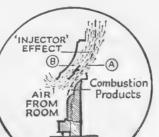


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brand of spirit one demands; but unless each of these pumps is stamped by the Weights and Measures Department, there is no proof of its accuracy. There is no doubt that motoring is more popular than hitherto, and it will become even more so if the price of fuel falls. Therefore, let us save the can expenses if possible.

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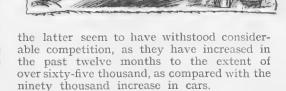
A twelvemonth ago—to be precise, on Aug. 31, 1923—there were 383,525 cars taxed on a horse-power basis in Great Britain.
On the same date this year, 1924, this number

had increased to no fewer than 473,528 -an absolute increase of 90,003 cars in twelve months. The Ministry of Transport is to be congratulated issuing its quarterly report in regard to the vehicles registered in this country and the amount they pay in motor taxation. Aug. 31 is always the highwater mark of the use of motor-vehicles in England, Scotland, and Wales, because quite a number of people are apt to keep their cars in their

garages during the winter season. At any rate, winter reduces the number of charabancs on the road (they hate the cold weather, as their chance of custom and beanfeast parties is small), so that one may take August figures as representing the zenith of motoring in this island. The amount paid by motorists generally from Dec. 1, 1923, to Aug. 31, 1924, which is nine months, was £13,903,375, and, at the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders' dinner, Sir Henry P. Maybury frankly admitted that fifteen and a

half million pounds per annum was the amount paid by motor-users. There is one item in the recent return and analysis of motortax receipts, in the report referred to, that should please the manufacturers of small cars. In the first place, the average receipt in respect of a whole year's license is now down to £16 per car, taxed on a horsepower basis; also, whereas in August 1923 there were 47,613 more motorcycles than there were cars, this August the difference between the

totals is only 22,051. Not that the motor-cycles have not increased, as they now number 495,579, but this is the first year that the totals have been so close. Evidently, the cheap four-wheelers are superseding the motor-cycles and side-car combinations. Still,



Practically all the small Tyre Changes
Need Gauges.

Practically all the cars at the recent Olympia
Motor Exhibition were fitted with low-pressure tyres on the wheels, although their makers offered customers a choice of whether they would have these wheel-coverings or the ordinary high-pressure ones. Quite a large number of motorists were puzzled in their minds as to whether to risk the low-pressure tyre (though the option cost them nothing), because the tyre manufacturers for umpteen years past have been trying to persuade them to keep their tyres pumped up as hard as possible, in order to get a long life and increased mileage out of each cover. In fact, the tyre-manufacturers stated that the harder the tyre was pumped up, within reason, the longer it would last and the less the chance of damage from cuts or punctures. Now, if you please, it is quite another story. Instead of sixty or seventy pounds pressure on the back tyres, you are asked to run at twenty to thirty pounds pressure. The low-pressure balloon type of tyre is an absolute contradiction of all the good advice the tyre-manufacturers have been instilling into us for what seems like centuries; though not quite a quarter of a century. But to-day they assure us that we motorists can have balloon tyres, obtain long mileage, safety, with no more liability to punctures than with the older high-pressure and harder-blown-out pneumatic, and get better comfort in riding. What is more, we have to believe them; but they do throw in a proviso which I repeat, because if motorists do not carry it out and they do have trouble with low-pressure tyres, they will certainly be out of court for getting replacements when



A DE LUXE FOUR-SEATER: THE 12-40-H.P. ALVIS DE LUXE EXHIBITED AT OLYMPIA.

the present time, the Weights and Measures inspector has no jurisdiction over them, and this Bill has been introduced in order to rectify this omission. It is only a few weeks back since an important test case on this matter was tried at Cromer; in which the County Council summoned a dealer for supplying a quantity of spirit which did not correrespond with the amount required-in other words, the measurement was not exact. case was dismissed, owing to the fact that the output of petrol-pumps did not come under the Weights and Measures Act, and so it did not matter whether you were an ounce or two short or an ounce or two in excessthe dealer was not bound to supply an exact measure through the pump. Not that I suggest dealers do not endeavour to do so, but at the present moment it is questionable whether all pumps are accurate. I know it is quite possible with some types to work them quickly and get less than a gallon, or to work them slowly and get more than a gallon, although the dial shows one gallon each time-which; to say the least, is unsatisfactory. This is especially so as for some time the distributors of motor spirit have complained bitterly of the excessively heavy distribution costs by can deliveries. In fact, they claim that it is one of the items that determine the present price of motor spirit, and if these costs can be wiped out, or at any rate considerably reduced, then the benefit is bound to be ultimately passed on to the consuming public and prices lowered. It would be a good thing, at any rate, if we could persuade the next Parliament to see that these petrol-pumps are duly capable of delivering a full gallon and not a short one, as, though petrol may be cheap at the present moment, one still hopes to see it cheaper, or at least maintained at its present price as long as possible. With a certified pump, one can sure of getting the spirit, or, rather, the



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they might think they are entitled to them free of charge, gratis, and for nothing. This is the crux of the situation. Low-pressure tyres must be used inflated to the exact pressure corresponding to the weight of the car as recommended by the tyre-makers.

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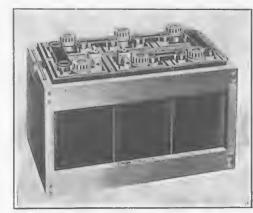
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normally runs the car, filled up with water, petrol, oil, etc., to say nothing of baggage, and then inflate the tyres, if 16 cwt. is the back-axle weight, to 35 lb. pressure; and if the front axle weight is 10 cwt., to 25 lb. pressure, or vice versa, as the case may be. In any case, the tyres have got to be kept at the recommended inflated pressure. Here is another little job for the owner-driver, and that is testing the tyre-pressure every time before he starts out on a journey, and perhaps at midday as well, for the low-pressure tyre, at the best, has but a small margin to lose. If the owner-driver is to be penalised also by having little chance of satisfaction should he get hold of a bad cover and it bursts early in its career through improper inflation—though who is

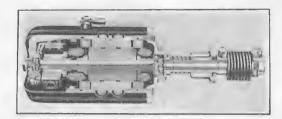
to prove it, I do not know—it is going to be a nice kettle of fish. Consequently, we have all got to buy accurate tyre-gauges that show these low pressures, as our old ones are no good.

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Lighting. Driving at night has provoked more discussion as to the good and bad manners of motorists than speeding in



STURDINESS OF CONSTRUCTION AN OUTSTANDING FEATURE: THE ROTAX STARTER BATTERY, IN STANDARD WOODEN CRATE, EXHIBITED AT OLYMPIA. The Rotax exhibit of their lighting and starting equipment at Olympia was a fine and very interesting display, and included dynamos of all types and sizes, starters, lamps, etc. Switchboards of all sorts and shapes and sizes, fitted with little lamps, etc., for varying, but all very practical purposes were among the exhibits. An important feature of Rotax switchboards is the fitting of an external fuse, and provision, also external, for a two-pin plug. The Rotax patent switch for gradual reduction of headlight power is also very interesting.

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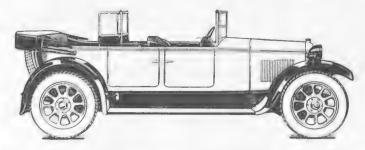
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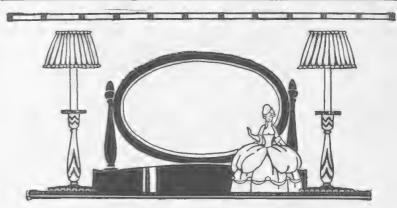
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THE UNLIT LAMP. By RADCLYFFE HALL. (Cassell; 7s. 6d.)

Joan Ogden and her sister Milly came of a "service" family stranded on half-pay in a dull seaside town. Their mother was eaten up with family pride, their father (dying of heart disease) an irascible old soldier, whose domestic tyranny does not endear him to the reader. Both girls wanted to get out and make a career. Milly, the musician, almost succeeded; Joan, the possible woman of science, did not succeed at

all, and her last state is depressing. But if the story is unhappy, it does not lack interest, and even fascination. The characters live, and are well set on the scene. Perhaps the book is rather too much of a tract on a subject already a trifle overdone—parental repression of the aspiring young; but for all that, "The Unlit Lamp" is a notable parable of wasted talent.

STRIVING FIRE. By GERALD CUMBER-LAND. (Grant Richards; 7s. 6d.)

The situation is not unlike that of the foregoing story, but less consistently handled. Here again is the tyrannous father, suffering from angina pectoris, and the foolish mothera step-mother in this case. Here, too, are children desperately at variance with their parents. The household of Hilary Spain, merchant of Manchester, was no abode of love. The sons, Guy and Deryk, were not inclined towards business. Guy went off to London and lived rather miserably as a song-writer; Deryk hankered after literature, but had to take up distasteful commerce on learning that his father might die at any moment. Father died, leaving things in confusion. The daughters are equally in revolt. Things go generally wrong: stepmamma goes wrong after her own way with a Roman priest and comes to a bad end; the children have queer matrimonial adventures, and altogether everything and everybody is in the soup. Nor do the survivors get out very conclusively, for all their striving.

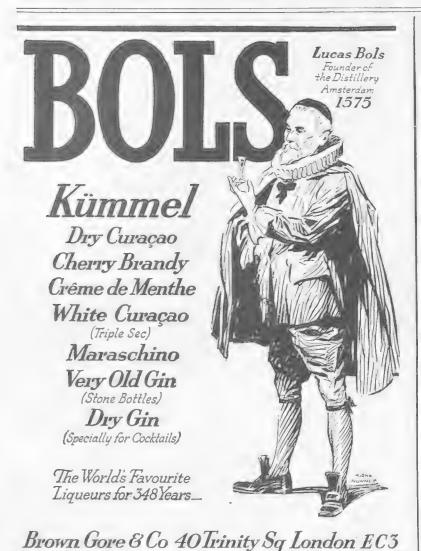
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A CHAT ABOUT PLAY.

ANY people hold that there is nothing, or comparatively nothing, in the play of the cards. The declaration is everything, and once a sound declaration has been arrived at, the cards, within a trick or two, play themselves. This trick or two is dependent on the taking of a necessary finesse, or on the even break in trumps or other suits, the result of which, of course, has nothing to do with good or bad play, being, in effect, a matter of luck as to the distribution of the adverse cards

distribution of the adverse cards.

Now, I myself am of opinion that there is a vast deal more than this in the play of a hand, no matter how sound the final contract may be, or how sound the preliminary bidding may have been. Certain hands are pianolas, and require no play, but these are big holdings, and come along only on the rare occasions; but on average cards, in my personal experience, I find that, even among advanced players, tricks here and there are continually being thrown away. It is these tricks that count in the final make-up; and even if the losing of them does not amount to much, they really represent the advantage the good player holds over the weaker one, to say nothing, of the fact that the winning of these spare tricks should be the objective and joy of every card-lover. I say even if the losing of them does not amount to much; but it must be remembered that on occasion the loss of one single trick that might have been won means the ultimate loss of the rubber; and on such occasion the final balance, of course, has suffered considerably by the play. The losing of such tricks as is here referred to is in the main due to carelessness; but that, to be sure, is no excuse -it is, in fact, more reprehensible than lack of skill, for lack of skill no fellow can help,

while carelessness is—well, just what it is.

Then there is the player who will neither

give himself nor his cards a chance. This, too, is a matter of carelessness or lack of thought in summing up what must happen if any good is to come of certain combinations between the two hands. I myself was dummy the other day when this play happened. A, my partner, dealt and bid one no-trump; Y, on his left, two hearts; B (me), three diamonds; Z, "No bid"; and being one of that large army of bridgeplayers who will never allow a hand to be played in a minor suit, and who consequently is always a large loser at the game, took a chance on three no-trumps. He was three down instead of making four odd, all because he would not give the cards a chance in this case my diamonds, which must be found divided two and two if any use is to be made of them. The two hands were-

SPADES—X.
HEARTS—X, X, X.
CLUBS—X, X.
DIAMONDS—A, 8, 7, 6, 5, 3, 2.
Dummy

Declarer

SPADES—A, Kn, x, x. HEARTS—A, Q, x CLUBS—A, x, x, x. DIAMONDS—10, 4.

A heart was opened. A won with the queen, led a diamond, and slapped up the ace, which, of course, finished all hopes of dummy's hand.

Seeing this play in cold print, you will say: "Rubbish! These things don't happen." But this actually did happen, and furthermore, A, my partner, was by no means a bad player. He simply had a fit of bridge derangement, and the fit was a highly expensive one.

I have already pointed out in these notes what are the commonest mistakes in the play of a hand, and I think I might do worse than repeat those words right now; but I

won't, as it was really something else about the play of the cards that I set out to write about—which is this. Apart from skill or carelessness in the handling of cards, there is much to be learnt in method-I might say manners-of play or at play. Certain mannerisms are offensive to other players; and anyone, even the veritable duffer at the game, could cut out these. Take, for instance, that superior air that in all but words says that your partner is little short of a lunatic, or opponent a blockhead because he pauses a little before playing a cardincidentally, opponent probably knows his business because he does pause a little. Then, again, how stupid it is to play simultaneously from your own and dummy's hand. Such folly, if it does not confuse the issue, most certainly confuses the players. And, worst of all, why tear a card from your hand and bang it down on the table as though the card or the table, or both, deserved castigation? Finally, what good is there in crowing over a defeated adversary, or in rubbing in his defeat by pointing out how he might have saved the game had he played differently?—and why cry out when you are downed yourself? I can give all players a tip on this point-not a soul, with the exception of your partner, takes the smallest interest or has the slightest sympathy with you in your bad luck—not even when you tell the world at large that you have lost the last fifteen rubbers: nobody cares a rap!

These and such-like methods are characteristic of bad play, though I meet an odd good player who has his nasty ways, too; and surely it is worth a trifling effort on the part of all to be rid of them. There is nothing to gain, but much to lose by such play.

There are at least three certain signs of a bad player—(I) Playing too quickly; (2) Playing too slowly; and (3) Continually leading from the wrong hand. I may be wrong, but it is a notion of mine that no high-class player indulges in any of these three malpractices.



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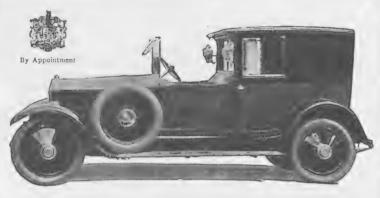
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'The woman in brown-or the man, if

you think it was a man."

' Exactly, and where they were standingout of sight, remember, of those coming after them—there 's a deep tangle of furze bushes. You could thrust a body in there, and it would be pretty certain to lie hidden until the morning."
"Tommy! You think it was then! But

someone would have heard-

" Heard what? The doctors agreed death must have been instantaneous. I've seen men killed instantaneously in the war. They don't cry out as a rule—just a gurgle, or a moan-perhaps just a sigh, or a funny little cough. Sessle comes towards the

seventh tee, and the woman comes forward and speaks to him. He recognises her, perhaps, as a man he knows, masquerading. Curious to learn the why and wherefore, he allows himself to be drawn along the footpath out of sight. One stab with the deadly hatpin as they walk along. Sessle falls-dead. The other man drags his body into the furze bushes, strips off the blue coat, then sheds his own skirt and the hat and curls. He puts on Sessle's well-known blue coat and cap, and strides back to the tee. Three minutes would do it. The others behind can't see his face, only the peculiar blue coat they know so well. They never doubt that it's Sessle—but he doesn't play Sessle's brand of golf. They all say he played like a different man. Of course he did. He was a different man."

" But-

"Point Number Two. His action in bringing the girl down there was the action of a different man. It wasn't Sessle who met Doris Evans at a cinema, and induced her to come down to Sunninghall. It was a man calling himself Sessle. Remember, Doris Evans wasn't arrested until a fortnight after the crime. She never saw the body. If she had, she might have bewildered everyone by declaring that that wasn't the man who took her out on the golf-links that night and spoke so wildly of suicide. It was a carefully laid plot. The girl invited down for Wednesday, when Sessle's house would be empty, then the hat-pin which pointed to its being a woman's doing. The murderer meets the girl, takes her into the bungalow and gives her supper, then takes her out on the links, and when he gets to the scene of the crime, brandishes his revolver and scares the life out of her. Once she has taken to her heels, all he has to do is to pull out the body and leave it lying on the tee. The revolver he chucks into the

bushes. Then he makes a neat parcel of the skirt and hat, and-now I admit I'm guessing—in all probability walks to Woking, which is only about six or seven miles away,

and goes back to town from there."
"Wait a minute," said Tuppence.
"There's one thing you haven't explained.
What about Hollaby?"

Hollaby? "Yes. I admit that the people behind couldn't have seen whether it, was really Sessle or not. But you can't tell me that the man who was playing with him was so hypnotised by the blue coat that he never looked at his face."

"My dear old thing," said Tommy.
"That's just the point. Hollaby knew all right. You see, I'm adopting your theory—that Hollaby and his son were the real embezzlers. The murderer's got to be a man who knew Sessle pretty well—knew, for instance, about the servants being always out on a Wednesday, and that his wife was away. And also someone who was able to get an impression of Sessle's latch-key. I think Hollaby junior would fulfil all these requirements. He's about the same age and height as Sessle, and they were both clean-shaven men. Doris Evans probably saw several photographs of the murdered man reproduced in the papers; but, as you yourself observed, one can just see that it's a man, and that's about

all."
"Didn't she ever see young Hollaby in

court?'

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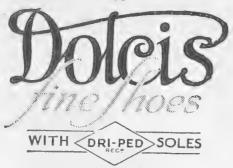
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paused a minute, and then asked: "Are you
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Tommy swung round to confront Inspector Marriot. The Inspector was sitting at the next table. In front of him was a poached egg,

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"You are a nice man, Inspector Marriot,"

said Tuppence gratefully.

"We think a lot of you two at the Yard," replied that stolid gentleman. "You'd be surprised. If I may ask you, Sir, what's the meaning of that piece of string?"

"Nothing," said Tommy, stuffing it into his pocket. "A bad habit of mine. As to the cheese-cake and the milk—I'm on a diet. Nervous dyspepsia. Busy men are always martyrs to it."

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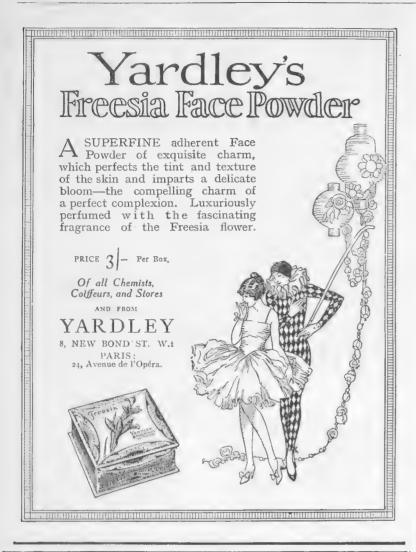
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 - An aftermath of trouble left behind.

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ACROSTIC A.

One correct solution was received for the first of the series-from F. Rawson.

Solutions with one light wrong from: "Portsmouth," "Waggle," "Jock," "Shingle," "Chelsea China," "Bookworm," and "Creeper."

Solutions with two lights wrong from: "Brownie," "Simpleton," "Coughdrop," "Little Bear," "St. Rule," "Cock Robin," "Pieman," "Fitzroy," "Humbug," "Sister Ann," "Cherubino," "Sappho," "Twinkletoes," "Hal," "Student," and "Horner."

Other solvers had three or more lights wrong.

ACROSTIC B.I.

No correct solution was received to this acrostic, so the prize of fi has been awarded to F. W. Legrand, 47, Moreton Terrace, S.W.r, with one light wrong. The first light, "Tabard," which baffled Mr. Legrand, was not sent in correctly by any solver.

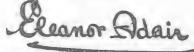
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THE WAY ROUND PARIS.

Millerand and Poincaré are Two Great both barristers by pro-fession, and were at one Statesmen. time rivals at the Palais de Justice for the most important commercial briefs. Since he ceased to be President of the Republic, Millerand has come down into the party arena again, and has placed himself at the head of a newly formed League to oppose the Herriot Government. On the other hand, Poincaré is lying rather low politically just now, but he is more in demand as an advocate than ever. His amazing industry and prodigious memory are of the kind which always make for success in the cases which are the most tedious to listen to, but command the highest fees. In France, by the way, the barrister, although he is paid directly by his client, without the intervention of anyone corresponding to a solicitor, resembles his legal brother in England in not being technically supposed to receive any money at all. That is why the demand of the income-tax authorities to produce accounts is meeting with indignant protest from the whole body of avocats.

An Interesting Theatrical Contest.

Lucien Guitry, who has for some years been devoting his remarkable gifts as an actor chiefly to the inter-

pretation of the very light comedies of his son Sacha, has recently been seized with a fit of more serious artistic ambition, and has been showing the Comédie-Française how Molière ought really to be played. He has been treating the typically after-dinner public of the Théâtre Edouard VII. to a revival of the "École des Femmes," preceded each evening by a critical discourse from Antoine,

who, though he has been director of the Odéon, has no love for the senior National Theatre or its traditions. The Français has been stirred to defensive action. It has furbished up the rather dusty production of the same play, which always turns up now and again in the current repertory, and is openly inviting comparison. Léon Bernard, who plays Arnolphe, takes it, in the tradition of the House, as a frankly comic part, while Guitry develops its pathetic and dramatic possibilities. It is an interesting contest, and Paris, with all its reputation for frivolity, is perhaps the one town in the world where art is still taken seriously enough for such a competition to command a public.

However, the friv the frivolous "Mis" in Paradise new revue at the Casino Plumes. de Paris is to be more magnificent than ever, I am told. If artistic interest can be measured by the prices of the costumes, the whole thing will be absorbingly interesting, for I hear that Mistinguett is to have a dress, composed entirely of paradise plumes, for which a hundred thousand francs will have to be paid, and it is stated that the artist herself is contributing part of the price out of her American millions. On the other hand, the rival show, which is being prepared by Mme. Rasini for the Olympia, is to have as principal star Mismarguett, who took

The great news was published last week, and we The Great Dress now know the name of the Competition. winner of the dress competition. No doubt we shall all be familiar

Mistinguett's place while she was away, and is to make a bid, it would seem, for taking her

place now that she is back also.

with it in time, and Marcelle Guillon will become as much a household word as Worth or Paul Poiret or Callot, for the young lady has already been offered a job at nearly ten times her present salary, and no doubt will soon be directing a dressmaker's establishment of her own. The prize was awarded on the unanimous vote of the judges, it appears, and the winning dress, which was not only designed but made by Mlle. Guillon, in the solitary seclusion prescribed by the terms of the competition, is said to be a marvel of beauty. It may be added that the whole thing was most serious and most official, and was organised under the direct control of the Municipality of Paris and the Minister of Fine Arts. What are the L.C.C. doing on these lines? I cannot also ask what is being done by the British Minister of Fine Arts, because—and I hope you are properly ashamed of the fact—you have not got one.

BOULEVARDIER.

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CITY NOTES.

FINANCE IN A FIRST-CLASS CARRIAGE.

AN'T make out why it is "-The Engineer was plainly puzzled to account for it—"but boys nowadays have a rooted dislike to following their fathers' professions. I know many cases where a man has built up a decent connection, but his sons won't take up his business." business.

"Awful waste of goodwill," commented

The City Editor.
"That's the point. The goodwill may be of little enough value to a stranger, yet be worth quite a tidy sum to a son of the man who has built up the connection."

"Boys so often want to go abroad these And, if they are bitten with the Wanderlust, it's not much use standing in their light."

"Banks are good in that way. The Anglo-Egyptian, Hongkong and Shanghai, Anglo-South American, and suchlike are often open

to take really good chaps."

"There's the cable service," suggested
The Broker. "Eastern Telegraph, Eastern
Extension, Western—"

"They're not bad. Pay is rather
moderate, and promotion slow."

"A fellow can get on factor if he shows

A fellow can get on faster if he shows that he is a hard worker, and is willing to study the electrical and wireless sides.'

"I've heard it said that the slacker gets on just as well as the man that 's keen. If that 's the case, there 's no great inducement for a boy to work hard."

"Saving your presence," said The City Editor, "that's all rot. The worker will always come out on top sooner or later.'

"There's tea-planting, or rubber," The

Merchant added.

"Rubber expenses are still cut to the bare

bone," said The Broker. "And with production coming down next month to 50 per

"It's 55 now, isn't it?"
"That's so; but it will be 50 per cent. on Nov. 1, which means a lessening of work, except on estates that are in course of

development."
"In tea," The Merchant reminded them, "there's no great scope for extension of areas. Many tea estates find it difficult to get cheap labour to work the ground already planted."
"Then we shall have to send the boy to

sea. How about the Navy:
"Over-officered already, and therefore the prospect is limited. In the Merchant Service there will be a better range of openings as the freight market improves.

It seems to be doing that already. I bought a few Cunards the other day for my wife. Good stock to put away. Sure to come home."

"I rather like the Hungarian $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. crip," said The Broker. "My idea is that scrip," said The Broker. "My idea is that Hungary will get on to her financial feet before long, and at 90 you get 81 per cent. on your money."

"Something of a gamble" was The Mer-

"Something of a gamble," was The Merchant's view. "The German is better security."

The Broker shrugged his shoulders. "Everyone to his taste," he said drily. "I'd prefer some of the Japs." "They're cheap, too. All these foreigners are a trifle risky, though." "Well, if you want Home stocks, United

Dairies are not too dear, on their last report."

"James Nelsons are worth anyone's attention," said The Merchant. "I like them very much myself."

Wall-paper Deferred and Schweppe's Deferred ought to be good enough for the average speculative investor. Pay well on the money, and have room for better results."

"Lyons are a dull market," complained The City Editor. "Is there any reason?

'Silly rumours about their results over the Exhibition and the Corner House. Nothing in them whatever. The company is certain to do well with both. But the impression has its effect, and the failure of the Exhibition, on the attendance figures, is another point in the situation. Lyons are right as rain to hold.

"Wish I felt as confident about Phœnix," said The Engineer. "I distrust those things, somehow, and yet I can't tell why. Know

anything about them, Brokie?

"Only what one sees published in the papers. The look of the market doesn't inspire confidence. I know that's a dangerous guide, but I'd rather keep out of the shares.

There's nothing like the good things, if you're going in for Oil-Shells, Burmahs, Anglo-Persians-

Anglo-Persians, eh?"

"Yes. They 're all right now. weren't a little while back, but the position has changed, and my view with it. a gamble, buy Agwis again, at the present

"Mexican Corporation I had a strong tip to buy when the price was half-a-crown lower," said The Engineer. "Now that it has come up, I feel inclined to have a dash."
"You'll double your money in twelve months," affirmed The Jobber.
"Thirly and "

"Think so?"

"In mining speculations," said The City Editor sententiously, "it's generally a case

of double or quits.'

Toss you for two hair-cuts "-and The Jobber produced a handful of money. "Heads you say?" He counted out the coins. "Six tails and five heads," said he. "Close shave, that hair-cut. Thanks.'

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